

WEATHER FORECASTS

Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong southerly wind, partly cloudy, with occasional rain.
Vancouver and vicinity—Mostly cloudy, and mild, with occasional rain.

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Big International Regatta Is Coming Here Next Summer

International Pacific Yachting Association Unanimously Decides on Victoria for 1925 Event—Will Be Held From July 1 to 5—Yachtsmen From Many Cities Will Come

WILL BE SECOND ONLY TO ATLANTIC COAST MEETING

THE biggest regatta on this coast, and one that is second in importance only to the great international yachting regatta that is generally held on Long Island Sound, will come to Victoria next year, it was decided at a meeting of the International Pacific Yachting Association, held in the Empress Hotel last night.

Moved by the commodore of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club and seconded by the Seattle delegate, the motion was voted on unanimously, although the Tacoma Club made a strong bid for the event. The regatta will take place next summer from July 1 to 5, inclusive, and will attract yachtsmen and power boat enthusiasts from San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Queen City, Vancouver, Victoria, Cleveland, Detroit and other Great Lake cities.

Before the question was placed before the meeting, Victoria delegates, including Commodore Harry Barnes, Mr. Walter Adams and Mr. C. F. Hill, chairman of the tourist trade group of the Chamber of Commerce, spoke regarding the financial backing that the regatta needed, and said that they had been informed through Mr. Daniel Pratt, of the Pacific Motorboat Magazine, that the regatta would cost in the neighborhood of \$5,000. The first figure given was \$7,500. Captain Griffiths, of the Seattle organization, however, assured the Victoria members that the regatta should cost no more than \$1,200, and that a very successful regatta could be held with this amount, as others had been held in the past.

American Support
Strong support has been assured from San Juan County, which is particularly desirous of securing a yachting and power boat race from Victoria to Bellingham, Orcas Island, finally ending up at Roche Harbor, where it is proposed to entertain the visiting yachtsmen for one evening. Five hundred dollars has been guaranteed by this county, \$250 to be donated by the Commercial Club, and \$250 by Mr. Robert Moran, who has been particularly generous in his contributions to this amount first if the county would provide the other \$250.

All the delegates from the various organizations, of which five were represented, were desirous of holding the regatta here in view of the fact that Victoria possesses one of the best harbors on this coast, and plenty of wind can be relied upon for the races.

Officials of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club and the Chamber of Commerce are particularly anxious to enlist the support of the public in making this regatta a success, and think that \$2,000 would be quite sufficient funds to carry on the regatta successfully.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—Admiral, Mr. Melville Dollar, of Vancouver; vice-admiral, Mr. S. A. Perkins, of Tacoma; commodore, Mr. Walter Adams, of Victoria; secretary-treasurer, H. E. Burton-Brook, of Vancouver; governor-in-council, Captain J. Griffiths (of Seattle); Mr. A. R. R. (of Tacoma); Mr. H. Barnes (of Victoria); Mr. F. Vogler (of Portland); Mr. S. Green (of Queen City); Mr. H. F. (of Royal Vancouver Yacht Club); and Mr. Lane (of Cowichan); in charge of motorboat races, Mr. Quint Williams, and sailing boat races, Mr. Walter Adams, of Victoria.

Golden Gate to Tahiti
A suggestion from three San Francisco yachtsmen that a long distance race from San Francisco to Tahiti be held under the auspices of the International Pacific Yachting Association was referred to each commodore of the various affiliated clubs for consideration, and the matter will be decided on later. The suggestion offers an invitation to other yachtsmen on this coast to participate in the race. The San Francisco yachtsmen who advanced the proposal are Capt. A. L. Norris, Capt. G. P. Parks and Capt. J. C. Plover.

An invitation has been extended by the I.P.Y.A. to the members of the Yachting Club to join them, while the application of the Portland Marine Club for membership will be considered.

A resolution brought up by the Seattle delegate asking the association to define just what a power boat cruise is, has been turned over for consideration by each club.

Dr. H. M. Robertson
Vice-President of N.P. Surgical Association

PORTLAND, Dec. 12.—Charles F. Ekenberry, of Spokane, was elected president of the North Pacific Surgical Association here tonight. Spokane was chosen for the next annual convention. Henry A. Storres, of Vancouver, B.C., was elected first vice-president and Dr. Hermann M. Robertson, of Victoria, second vice-president.

Hungry Men "Hold Up"
Restaurant at Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 12.—Entering the Washington cafe, Cordova Street, shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon, a party of fifteen unemployed men ordered full meals for each and left without paying for them. According to the police, the men marched into the restaurant in a body and sat themselves at the counter and tables. They were served with dinners. On completing their meals, the men marched out in a body. A hurry-up call was sent in to the police station, but the men had dispersed before a squad of officers arrived.

LEAGUE OMITS EGYPT'S APPEAL

Thirty-Second Council of Assembly Adjourns Without Taking Action on Dispute in Nile Valley

EMPHASIZE INFLUENCE OF PARLEY ON WORLD

King Alfonso's Invitation for Meeting a Year Hence in Madrid Was Accepted in Principle

ROME, Dec. 13.—Laying new emphasis on the power of the Geneva peace protocol to allay the anxieties of mankind, the thirty-second Council of the League of Nations adjourned today with its members expressing determination to pursue the study of the protocol at the March meeting, and inaugurate arrangements for an international conference on the reduction of armaments.

France has given notice through former Premier Briand that she is ready to base her world policies on the protocol and henceforth submit all her disputes for arbitration. She was ready, it was stated, to even examine proposed amendments to the protocol in a friendly spirit.

France All for Protocol
The French Government also made it clear that if the other Great Powers do not want the protocol, it will not be the French Government's business. The French Government is driven to continue its series of defensive alliances and increase its military expenditures, and the future security of the country may be safeguarded.

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BRITAIN DISPLAYS ECONOMIC HEROISM

GREAT AMERICAN BANKER PRAISES ENGLAND

Empire's Action Declared to Be an Inspiration to the Other Nations of Europe

OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—Since the war England has shown nothing less than economic heroism. She has been an inspiration to the other nations of Europe, and she is about to reap her reward, Otto Kahn, American banker and philanthropist, who has just returned from Europe, declared in an address before the Canadian Club here today. Sterling, he said, was about to reach its pre-war standing, which was a tribute from the world to the economic stability of England. The future of the world was great as it had ever been depicted to be in times past.

Europe's Great Problem
The great problem today was South-eastern Europe, where there had been a harsh and ungenerous treatment of racial minorities. The Balkan Danube region was a potential menace to the peace of Europe. It was the major problem of the continent, and the solution might be found in some kind of economic union or in the League plan, which might evolve some system which will bring security and peace to those states.

In concluding his address, Mr. Kahn paid a tribute to the wisdom of President King who, he said, "practically drafted the charter on which we have proceeded in the United States in the settlement of the capital and labor problems."

Recently Married Man Carries Out Spectacular Murder of Lady Friend

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 13.—In the presence of his nineteen-year-old bride of two months and more than one hundred employed at the Western Union Telegraph Company operating room here, C. G. Monk, thirty-two, of Centre Hill, Ga., tonight fired four shots into the back of Miss Vera Moore, twenty, multiplex operator, as she sat at her desk.

Monk is said to have dropped the smoking pistol and collapsed, crying that he had killed Miss Moore "to save my wife from ruin." Mrs. Monk laid blame for the shooting upon the victim.

Australian Treasurer to Pay Visit to Canada

MELBOURNE, Dec. 12.—Hon. E. G. C. Page, Commonwealth Treasurer, will sail for Canada on December 18. The main object of Mr. Page's proposed voyage is to regain his health, which has been unsatisfactory of late. He has chosen to visit Canada at this particular time at the express wish of the Canadian Government because, if his health permits, he can discuss with the Canadian Government important matters in connection with the agreement recently entered into between the Canadian and Australian governments. Treasurer Page on his trip expects to deal also with the suggestion that an Australian trade representative should be appointed for Canada.

E. S. Immigration Officer Killed
EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 13.—Liquor smugglers in ambush on the banks of the Rio Grande tonight shot and killed Immigration Inspector Frank Clark. Inspector Clark was on duty with Herbert Brown, another inspector, who was fired upon but not injured.

Labor Leader Passes



SUPPORT PROVIDED FOR PRESBYTERIANS

PROVISION MADE FOR DEPLETED CHURCHES AFTER UNION

Home Missions Committee Issues Statement as to Educational and Benevolent Work

TORONTO, Dec. 13.—Provision for carrying on the missionary, educational and benevolent work of the Presbyterian Church after the union of the Presbyterian and the Methodist Church in Canada, with the Methodist and Congregational churches on June 10 next, has been made according to a statement issued here by the provisional home mission committee of the anti-union section of the Presbyterian Church.

The statement is signed by Rev. Dr. A. J. McGillicuddy and others. "The federal executive of the Presbyterian Church Association has appointed provisional committees and city and district committees to carry on this work in its various departments."

Replaced by Permanent Bodies
These committees and boards will be replaced by permanent bodies when the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church meets and reorganizes on June 10, and the work of the church will continue without interruption. The boundaries of synods and presbyteries will be fixed as conditions may require.

"We wish to assure ministers, missionaries and members who remain Presbyterian that all provision will be made to assist them in their work where assistance is necessary. Some congregations, especially those in the large centres, will encounter no difficulty, but some in the smaller towns and rural districts may require help. The continuing Presbyterian Church will make it a first duty to assist those that maintain their loyalty to the church of their fathers and will provide as adequately as possible for the following:

"1. Those congregations that vote to remain out and find their membership depleted by reason of some of their members entering the union. In such cases, the union of the congregations that may desire to continue in the Presbyterian Church."

JOBS FOUND FOR MEN OUT OF WORK

ROTARY'S DRIVE IS NOW IN FULL SWING

Kiwans and Gyro Clubs Co-operating in Appeal to Public for Generous Support of Scheme

The Victoria Rotary Club's campaign to alleviate the unemployment situation in the city through encouraging everyone to create whatever work they can for the jobless men to do is now in full swing, and already a number of deserving cases have been aided through the efforts of this community service club.

The Rotary Club's scheme has received the emphatic endorsement of the other two service clubs in Victoria, the Kiwans and Gyro bodies, which have agreed to co-operate to their fullest extent in putting over the proposal in a big and successful manner. The Kiwans and Gyro have taken out cards pledging employment, and the general public is being urged to call at either The Colonist or Times offices and secure pledge cards this week.

Organization arrangements for the campaign have been completed, and an office has been opened at 213 Hayward Building, the telephone number of which is 655, and the public is requested to send in to this office particulars of any work they may be able to offer.

Urges Creation of Work
The object of the Rotary campaign is to urge citizens to look around their places, see if there is any work they could find for some man out of employment to do for them. The purpose is entirely to create jobs. In order to provide employment for the jobless in the city.

LABOR MOURNS LEADER'S DEATH

Remains of Samuel Gompers Leave San Antonio on Last Long Journey to New York Home

COMRADES GUARD CASKET NIGHT AND DAY ON TRAIN

President Coolidge Sends Expression of Sympathy to Widow of Late Revered Unionist Chieftain

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 13.—Samuel Gompers, who for more than forty years directed the destinies of the American Federation of Labor, died here after realizing his last hope that the end come on American soil.

The Labor chieftain died surrounded by his comrades, many of whom had fought beside him shoulder to shoulder for generations in behalf of the economic principles he expounded.

The end came in a local hotel eleven hours after his arrival from Mexico City, where he had been stricken earlier in the week.

Tonight the body of the Labor chieftain, sleeping in a massive bronze casket simply that in which President Harding was laid to rest, was started on its long journey to the national capital, accompanied by his friends and associates. There were no services at the mortuary where the body rested today.

HOUSE COMMITTEE DEFENDS U.S. NAVY

MAINTAINS SENIOR SERVICE IS IN GOOD SHAPE

Secretary Stresses Need of Extra Hundred Millions Annually for Twenty Years

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The United States, in the opinion of Secretary Wilbur, would have to spend \$110,000,000 annually for the next twenty years on construction for the navy, if it were to be maintained on an equal footing in all branches with that of Great Britain and superior to Japan's.

A verbatim report, made public today, of the naval secretary's testimony behind closed doors of the House sub-committee which drafted the annual naval supply bill, showed that the secretary estimated such an expenditure would be necessary to attain the full arms conference treaty ratio in all classes of ships and aircraft. Pointing out that the estimate was not a recommendation, but a "statement of fact as requested by the committee," the secretary said that the United States would be required for ships and \$18,000,000 for aircraft.

Maintains 86,000 Men
Provision for maintenance of the enlisted strength of the United States navy at 84,000 officers and 80,000 men is contained in the navy appropriation bill reported to the House of Representatives. The bill provides for a total of \$228,335,578 for maintenance of the navy during the twelve month period beginning July next are asked. This is \$2,165,117 greater than the amount provided for during the current fiscal year.

Coinciding with the reporting of the bill, the House sub-committee which drafted it submitted a report declaring the United States navy was in good shape, and scoring critics who have claimed Uncle Sam's sea force to be in a deplorable condition.

The United States was at a disadvantage in respect to aircraft carriers, the committee reported, but two battle cruisers were being converted into aircraft carriers. In asking total carrier tonnage of the United States would be below that of Great Britain.

Gun Fight With Insane Man in Fresno, Cal., Results in His Death

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 13.—Shot in the forearm when he attempted to arrest John Pickford, sixty-four, about midnight last night, Patrolman J. S. Ross shot and fatally wounded Pickford, who died before he could be brought to hospital. Pickford is believed to have been temporarily insane and had thrown his wife and fourteen-month-old baby and four-year-old daughter out of the house.

He reported to police in asking protection and aid. Pickford had barricaded himself in the house when the police officer arrived and had to break down the outer door. As the officer entered a back room where Pickford had taken refuge he was shot in the left arm and painfully fell to the floor. The officer opened fire, shooting Pickford several times in the body.

Milman Critically Hurt
VANCOUVER, Dec. 13.—Slipping in the darkness from a runway in the North Pacific Lumber Mills at Burrest this morning, Douglas Gillis injured his spine and is in a critical condition at St. Paul's Hospital. He dropped twelve feet and his shoulder struck the plank walk.

Seattle Policemen Lose Furious Race With Bank Bandits

Nanaimo Robbers Believed to Have Slipped Across Gulf to American Side—Trail Picked Up at Bellingham Leads to Roads Through Woods North of Sound City

VIVID ACCOUNT OF THEFT GIVEN BY EYE-WITNESSES

SEARCH for the bandits who robbed the Nanaimo branch of the Royal Bank of Canada of \$40,000 on Friday afternoon had resulted in no arrests up to an early hour this morning. What is believed to be their trail was lost around 5 o'clock yesterday morning when Seattle police failed, after a furious pursuit, to overtake their automobile speeding along the roads through the woods north of Seattle. One of the gang is believed to be hiding in the forest.

Taken Suddenly Ill



THE EARL OF FRENCH

Better known as Lord French, at one time commander-in-chief of the British armies in France, was suddenly taken ill while passing through Paris. He was taken to a hospital where an operation was immediately performed.

JOBLESS THREATEN TO INVADE HOUSE

CLAIM GOVERNMENT TARDY IN STARTING RELIEF WORK

Second Popular Demonstration, If Necessary, Inside Parliament Buildings, Planned

The unemployment situation has not altered materially during the past week except for the worse since the extremely heavy fall of rain have rendered most outdoor vocations abortive, especially anything in the nature of construction work.

At the headquarters of the unemployed on Government Street during the week it was decided again to ask the government for employment, and failing a satisfactory reply again to assemble at the Parliament Buildings and to request an interview with both the Premier and the Minister of Labor.

The unemployed executive opposed any forcible measures until the government of the day had had opportunity to make good promises as published in the newspapers. However, the patience of the unemployed was exhausted and Colonel Pitt and Captain Thain were deputed to see the members for Victoria and to request them or some of them to act as intermediaries between the unemployed executive and the Oliver government.

China's Delegate QUOTES BRET HARTE

ACCUSES OPTIM PARLEY "OF WAYS THAT ARE DARK"

First Conference Reaches Adjournment Without Agreement and Protocol Being Signed

GENEVA, Dec. 13.—The first opium conference, whose membership is confined to opium producing countries, adjourned sine die this evening without the agreement and protocol over which there has been much contention, having been signed.

It was expected that the final signatures would be attached to the document today, but at the last moment Mr. Malcolm Delevigne, of Great Britain, declared this insurmountable the subject of production of opium had been broached at the Rome session of the Council of the League of Nations, he was under instructions to wait until he heard from Foreign Secretary Chamberlain before signing.

Big Posses Start

Crowded with police and bristling with guns, eight cars dashed off in pursuit of the bandits when the alarm was raised.

But the desperadoes had strewn the roads in their wake with tracks, nails, and copious quantities of broken glass, and only one of the cars, a Dodge, belonging to the Cameron & Caldwell Taxicab Company, got through to Boat Harbour. Here the Durant Six was found with its engine still warm. Floating near the shore was a small dinghy, but of the fleeing speed boat there was no trace.

Shortly after midnight the trail was picked up by the Bellingham police, who reported that the men had landed near that city and had transferred to two automobiles—a Cadillac touring car and a Ford touring car. The police gave chase, but were still far in the rear when the Cadillac was reached. As they sped down the roads through the blackness of the night they found the Ford ditched near McMurray, between Bellingham and Everett.

Seattle police joined in the chase at 4:15 o'clock on Saturday morning, when officers patrolling the North Trunk Highway, north of the Sound city, overtook a large touring car with a license number corresponding to one which Bellingham police a short time before had reported as that of one of the two cars in which the bandits headed south from Bellingham.

When a spotlight was thrown on the number plate, the car's speed was promptly increased.

The officers pursued the automobile for half-an-hour, dodging in and out among the trees, and finally, at a speed of fifty-five miles an hour and eventually the car was forced to stop. The officers and escaped down a side road.

Suspect Vanishes
Nearly two hours later—at 6:45 o'clock—a man walking along the highway near the spot where the machine disappeared, darted into the brush when hailed by policemen.

All available police reserves in Seattle were immediately rushed out to the scene, and an attempt was made to draw a cordon around the wooded area. There were insufficient men, however, to complete the encircling movement. Chief Bevrine, of the Seattle police, stated last night.

Bishop Bast's Case Referred to in Danish House of Parliament

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 13.—The Bast case came up in Parliament last night when Ove Rode, a former Minister of the Interior, asked the Government how it was possible on mere suspicion and without a formal charge to keep Bishop Bast under arrest while in the hope of finding evidence against him.

M. Rode declared this was contrary to the spirit of the Danish constitution. Several of the daily newspapers also are asking whether it is necessary to treat Dr. Bast so harshly, and measure of sympathy being that this matter did not come within the scope of the present conference.

Paraphrasees Bret Harte
Representative Burgess of France also announced that he, too, was unable to sign. Alfred Sze, of China, said:

"It should like to remark that for ways that are dark, and tricks that are vain, the first conference is peculiar."

When the laughter had subsided, an adjournment was taken to await the answers of Great Britain and France.

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**R. H. Hall, Former Fur
Trade Commissioner of
Hudson's Bay Co., Dead**

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask., Dec. 13.—
Mr. R. H. Hall, formerly fur trade

commissioner of the Hudson's Bay
Company, died here last evening fol-
lowing hemorrhage of the lungs. He
had been a resident in the West for
fifty-two years, and had taken a
prominent part in public affairs. One
son is D. A. Hall, M.L.A. for the
Cumberland constituency in Canada.

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GRANDMOTHER OF REVOLUTION
ABHORNS BOLSHIEVISM

Aged Victim of Czarism Declares
Russia Wants Neither Filled
Nor Anarchist Autocrats

PRAGUE, Dec. 13.—Czarism is
dead in Russia and Grand Duke
Cyril's proclamation that he consid-
ers himself the future ruler of Russia
is ludicrous, in the opinion of Cath-
arine Breshkovskaya, the "grand-
mother of the revolution," now 81
years old. She has broken her sil-
ence for the first time in many
months, because she says she can
not understand how anybody can
take the Grand Duke seriously.

Bolshevism Foreign to Russia
Bolshevism, on the other hand, is
"an idea foreign to Russia," in her
opinion. "The Russian people won't
stand for it indefinitely," she be-
lieves. "Its success is due to the
fact that the 140,000,000 people that
make up Russia were taken by sur-
prise and that since then the arms
that have been in the hands of the
few have joined Lenin."

"Oh, I know my Russian people.
For many decades I have suffered
with it, and I know its wishes. It
does not want Bolshevism. Just as
little does it want Czarism. It wants
work, peace and its religion. The
downfall of the Soviet Government
is bound to come soon."

The grandmother of the revolution
does not expect to go in exile. "I
shall return to Russia," she said.
"There is much work left for us to
do there, especially in the schools. I
am still young, very young. Whoever
has thirty-three years of Siberia be-
hind him remains young forever."

CHOOSE SUCCESSOR TO LATE CHIEFTAIN

ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES TO FILL
LABOR LEADER'S OFFICE

Names Suggested of Those in Line
for Promotion Following Mr.
Gompers' Death

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The mast
to succeed Samuel Gompers as president
of the American Federation of Labor
is expected in Labor circles here to
be chosen from three men, all mem-
bers of the present executive council.
They are William Green, secretary-
treasurer of the United Mine Workers
of America; Matthew W. Hill, for the
last fifteen years president of the In-
ternational Photo-Engravers' Union,
and Thomas Rickett, president of the
United Garment Workers. James Dun-
can, first vice-president of the Amer-
ican Federation of Labor, former head
of the Granite Workers' Union, may
receive some consideration.

Eligibles Discussed
These eligibles, it was learned, have
been quietly discussed throughout na-
tional circles of the organization for
months past as Mr. Gompers' failing
health became increasingly apparent.

Under the federation constitution,
Secretary Frank Morrison will now
notify the executive council to meet
within six days.
The council will elect a pro-
visional president almost certainly
from among their own number. It was
said, and the new incumbent will hold
office of chief executive until the next
annual convention when a general
election will be held.

In the general gloom caused here
by the passing of the chieftain, the
various Labor leaders were loath to
discuss political chances of the like-
ly candidates. Their only expressions
were ones of devotion and loyalty to
the memory of Mr. Gompers himself.

TUBERCULIN TEST NOT SATISFACTORY

Dr. Warnock Declares Federal Plan
Would Result in Declination of
Dairy Herds in B.C.

CALGARY, Dec. 13.—Declaring
that if the 120,000 dairy cows in Brit-
ish Columbia were subjected to the
tuberculin test as advocated by the
Federal Department of Agriculture,
more than 5,000 would have to be
destroyed, and that a proportionate
number would have to be destroyed
every time a test was made, Dr.
Warnock, Deputy Minister of Agri-
culture in the British Columbia Gov-
ernment, stated on Friday that fur-
ther research work should be car-
ried on and that every attempt
should be made to eradicate the dis-
ease.

Dr. Warnock apparently was not
in favor of slaughtering cattle every
time a test was made and an animal
found to be a reactor. He said that
in numerous cases animals which did
not react to the test, but whose own-
ers became suspicious that they were
not healthy, had been killed. It was
found that the animals were in an
advanced state of tubercu-
losis.

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Oddities in the News

*A Beauty's Advice — To
Foretell Sex of Children —
Aerial Tramway for Com-
muters — When Puccini
Trembled — A Forgiving Par-
rot*

CHICAGO.—Miss Inez Harden,
of Drew, Miss., judged the most
nearly perfect girl of 316,000 in
the health contest in connection
with the International Livestock
Exposition with a rating of
99.04 per cent. gave as her
recipe for perfect health:
"Sleep ten hours a night.
"Drink a quart of milk a day."
"Eat lots of vegetables."
"Don't use face powder or
rouge."
"Don't wear high heels."

Miss Harden is six feet
11 1/4 inches tall and is 5 feet 2
inches tall. She goes to bed
every night at 8 and is up at
5:30. She keeps fit by doing part
of the housework and playing
right guard on her high school
basketball team.

LONDON.—Determination
in advance of the sex of children
will become an accomplished
fact in the near future, it is
according to Julian Huxley, well-
known biologist and grandson of
the famous scientist. Theoretical-
ly, he declared, in a lecture at
Brighton, ante-natal determina-
tion of sex is possible now.

"It is a very microscopic and
difficult thing to do," he warned,
"but it seems to me that it is
easier to determine sex than to
do the things that have been
done in the way of construction
of airplanes and phonographs."

PARIS.—An aerial tramway,
an "aerobus," is being projected
as the best solution of the com-
muting problem in Paris. A line
between the city and Saint-Denis
has been planned, and if it works
out successfully, ten more radiat-
ing lines from the principal gates
of Paris to important suburbs
will be built.

The superstructure to carry the
cars, which will be driven by
aeroplane propellers and weigh
anywhere from four to twelve
tons, according to different re-
ports, will be made of steel with
the suspension rail fourteen
metres above the ground. The cars
will carry from sixty to one hun-
dred passengers and will make
ninety trips a day at the rate of
one franc for the round trip.

PARIS.—Giacomo Puccini was
one of the most timid of men.
Never at any of the numerous
banquets given in his honor was
he able to respond with a speech
of even a few words of thanks.
He merely rose and bowed.

Owing to his self-conscious-
ness and nervousness, he was
never able to direct the orche-
stra. On first nights of his operas,
Puccini appeared to be absolute-
ly petrified. He often said he
never heard one of his operas
in full. At some time or
other during a performance, he
fainted, himself trembling, with
nervousness and had to go out
into the fresh air to regain his
calmness.

NEW YORK.—Alice Eleanor,
an affectionate parrot, won free-
dom for her master, Henry P.
Erie, in West Side Court, yester-
day, by killing him in the pres-
ence of Magistrate Levine, al-
though neighbors had charged
Erie with cruelty to the bird. It
was said he left Alice Eleanor on
the fire escape day and night, in
all weathers. At his apartment,
366 West Fifty-seventh Street,
The bird is valued at \$100 and
upset the gravity of court pro-
cedure by repeating solemnly, at
frequent intervals, "Nothing doing."

DECLARES SOLICITOR'S PRIVILEGE CANCELLED

Ontario Court Orders Mr. Oiler, K.C.,
to Answer in U.S. Case Against
Teapot Dome Operators

TORONTO, Dec. 13.—Mr. Justice
Riddell, of the Supreme Court of On-
tario, in a decision handed down to-
day, orders H. S. Oiler, K.C., to an-
swer questions on examination in the
action brought by the United States
Government against the Mammoth
Oil Company and various Sinclair Oil
interests. Oiler, who is a promi-
nent Toronto lawyer, is at present in
Egypt.

In the present case Mr. Oiler and
others connected with the Continental
Trading Company, which is alleged
to have been the channel through
which certain Liberty bonds passed
from the Sinclair Oil interests to
former United States Secretary of the
Interior A. B. Fall, must now attend
for examination and tell all the facts
connected with the obtaining of their
bonds, their distribution and names
of persons involved.

The court holds that there is no
such thing as a solicitor's privilege,
over having pleaded that he had
acted in a legal capacity. This privi-
lege disappeared, the court maintains,
over a century ago.

LONDON NEWSPAPER LEADER COMING HERE

Sir Campbell Stuart, K.B.E., man-
aging director of The Times, London,
and former editor of The Daily Mail,
London, is expected to arrive in Vic-
toria next Sunday in course of a
trip through Western Canada. At the
present time he is on the prairies.
One of the trusted lieutenants of
the late Lord Northcliffe, he was as-
sociated with the newspaper business
in propaganda work during the war
as deputy director of propaganda in
enemy countries. For his services in
that capacity he was knighted a Knight
of the British Empire, civil division.
He is a Canadian by birth, a native
of Montreal, where he was born in
1855.

M. Herriot Recovers
PARIS, Dec. 13.—Premier Her-
riot's condition in general was quite
satisfactory today, said a bulletin
issued by his physicians this after-
noon.

ROYALTY CHANGES KILLED IN HOUSE

POOLEY, HAYWARD AND BRUHN
AMENDMENTS LOST

Claimed Tariff Is Too Low on Prince
Rupert Spruce—Second Five-
Year Term Debated

All amendments to the timber
royalty schedule were defeated in
committee of the whole at yesterday
morning's discussion of that measure.
Mr. R. H. Pooley's proposal to in-
crease the royalty on high-grade air-
plane spruce from the Queen Char-
lotte Islands down by a substan-
tial majority on show of hands. The
vote was 25 to 15.

Mr. Reginald Hayward's motion to
strike out the clause dealing with the
second five-year period got only a
scattered handful of votes. The
closest division was on a proposal
from Mr. R. W. Bruhn that the
royalty on No. 3 grade logs in the
interior be reduced from 95 to 75
cents. The vote on this was 22 to 21.

With these amendments disposed
of, the House proceeded quickly to
dispose of the royal clause of the
bill. The debate on the royalty sec-
tions lasted for more than two hours,
and for a time it seemed that Mr.
Pooley's amendment might carry by
reason of utterance in favor of the
idea from Liberal members. The
Minister of Lands, however, made a
vigorous speech, saying that the
royalty affected was an infinitesimal
that little change in Crown revenue
would result, and there was already
under way a movement to put a
reserve on airplane spruce for im-
perial purposes.

Spruce Tariff Low
The two lines of opposition to the
Royalty Bill developed immediately
the tariff clause was reached in com-
mittee of the whole. R. H. Pooley
expressed determined opposition to
allowing high-grade airplane spruce
selling at \$36 a thousand to get away
with \$11.10 royalty in the Prince
Rupert district, and announced that
he would carry his fight to the last stage
of the bill.

Mr. Reginald Hayward also criti-
cized the second five-year period as
being uncertain.
A pertinent comment was inter-
jected by Mr. Joshua Hincliffe when
Mr. Michael Manson declared that the
royalties for the second period were
too high, as there was nothing to base
them on.

"On what, then, do you base your
assertion that they are too high?"
asked Mr. Hincliffe, caustically.

Denner Stands
Mr. Manson made a comparison
with the United States, where, he
said, stumpage values were estab-
lished at \$2.65 per thousand. The
standards were determined, and of higher
grade in Washington than in B.C.,
so that B.C. stumpage could not be
higher than \$2.65 at present, he con-
tended. The principle was accepted in
Washington that one-third was the
public interest in the stumpage, and
this third would be only about 50
cents royalty, he contended.

"No. 1 spruce in the northern area
in the finest timber in the world," said
Mr. Pooley. "It was used by our
allies in the war for airplane con-
struction, and we cannot allow our
pulp mills to put it through for pulp
when they can use inferior grades for
that purpose. The industry itself is
quite willing to pay \$1.50 per thou-
sand on No. 1 spruce, which is selling
at \$36 a thousand, and I maintain we
should charge even more than that, if
necessary, to make it unprofitable for
the pulp companies to use it. I don't
want to bring this into the political
field, but I am going to fight this
through to the last stages of the
bill."

Mr. A. E. Munn, Mr. Chris. McTae
and Mr. H. P. Kergin agreed with
Mr. Pooley that airplane spruce
should not be used for pulp. It was
too scarce, they said.

"It is a crime for this wonderful
material to go into pulp," said Mr.
Munn, while Mr. Chris. McTae ad-
vocated a reserve on it for imperial pur-
poses in connection with airplane
construction.

Hon. T. D. Pattullo stated that an
investigation for that purpose was
already under way, but said that by
grouping No. 1 and No. 2 grades the
Crown was insuring greater revenue
than if it raised the rate on No. 1
and dropped it on No. 2, as the ten-
dency was for the output of No. 3 to
be increasing in a greater ratio than
the No. 1 quality. He admitted, too,
that No. 1 spruce in Vancouver sold
for more than in northern spruce.

Small Percentage
Mr. Pattullo stated that only eight
to nine per cent of the Queen Char-
lotte timber was No. 1 spruce, and
only about three-fifths of one per
cent was suitable for airplane pur-
poses, so that the royalty factor was
negligible, although he agreed it was
important to conserve the product for
airplane purposes.

Mr. Reginald Hayward declared
that he would have preferred to leave
the whole matter over for another
year, and the Provincial members ap-
plauded. He did not believe the in-
dustry need worry about the banks
not taking care of them if the royal-
ties were fixed for only five years, as
that was a substantial period, and
with the inadequate information he
did not believe it was possible to fix
the second five-year period scientifi-
cally.

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daily. Mr. Pattullo admitted that
there might have to be a revision for
the second five-year period.
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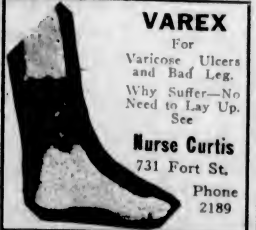
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Mr. Manson Complains Of Crime Literature

Attorney-General Manson protested in the House yesterday morning against publications under the guise of analyzing the authorities publishing stories about criminal investigation which in fact hampered rather than assisted the police. He had a copy of the Vancouver Tribune on his desk as he spoke, but did not name any paper.

The Session

All Early in the Morning—The House Tries to Look Pleasant—Bill No. 44, and Others—Keeping Timber Royalties Out of Politics—A Busy Week Ahead—Who Said Beer?—Sinking the Junk Without Trace

The Press Gallery, Saturday.

The House sat this morning. To say that the House sat without enthusiasm this morning would be to employ a euphemism which would commend itself to the experienced users of the First Minister in his most dire political need. It was the first morning sitting of the session. There will be nothing but morning sittings next week—nothing, that is to say, except afternoon sittings following the morning sittings, and night sittings following them. The members exhibited the demeanor of boys who were taking their first dose of a nasty-tasting medicine, of which they had been promised plenty more, and as to which they had formed the very definite conclusion that it was a rotten dose. Classical students among the new members—they have been severely discouraged since the session started, by the first dose of a nasty-tasting medicine, of which they had been promised plenty more, and as to which they had formed the very definite conclusion that it was a rotten dose. Classical students among the new members—they have been severely discouraged since the session started, by the first dose of a nasty-tasting medicine, of which they had been promised plenty more, and as to which they had formed the very definite conclusion that it was a rotten dose.

Those indignant citizens who are always wanting to know why the House does not get down to business, or when the House is going to get down to business—you can never really do anything proper about business unless you "get down to it," according to these indignant ones—may be interested to know that when the House got down to business at ten o'clock this morning, it immediately went into committee of the whole to consider the various clauses of Bill No. 44. Those other citizens, who, more in sorrow than in anger, want to know what the House is doing during the seven weeks of its session, may also be interested to know that upwards of fifty bills, public and private, have been introduced already this session. Many of these, it is true, are merely minor amendments to existing legislation; but some of the private bills are long and intricate measures—and they all take time in discussion. The House has many sins to answer for, but at least it is not a lazy House.

Bill No. 44, to which the House sorrowfully addressed its legislative energies this morning, is not an exciting measure, nor one which arouses the angry passions of the House to rise. Bill No. 44 is "An Act to amend the Drainage, Diking and Development Act." Amending the Drainage, Diking and Development Act was a labor involving much consumption of public time, an almost infinite recital of long, drawn-out clauses, commissioners and delinquent taxes and drains and dikes and things. There was much to settle about what the diking commissioners could do when the taxes became delinquent—which seemed to be the only state of affairs in respect of taxes contemplated by the bill. It took forty-five minutes to settle the hash of Bill No. 44, although there was no opposition, before Bill No. 44 was finally reported out of committee as complete without amendment.

At eleven o'clock the House went into committee of the whole again to deal with the various sections of the bill to amend the Forest Act, which is the important measure dealing with the new scale of timber royalties. Timber royalties, which the blessing of the House, was formally taken out of politics yesterday, in committee today, timber royalties managed on the whole to stay outside politics, but it was a near touch once or twice. Mr. Pooley wanted higher royalties on Queen Charlotte Island spruce, so as to prevent that valuable timber from being wasted in the mere making of pulpwood. Hon. Minister of Lands Pattullo, attired in a golfing suit, knickerbockers and a golfing cap, which he wore when he nearly caused an apple pie fit in the honorable and gallant member for Alberni, said it was really remarkable that the little bit of timber spruce of the Queen Charlotte Islands was practically available for airplane purposes. On the whole, it seemed that timber royalties, as arranged by the honorable minister, had better not be interfered with. One or two amendments were moved and lost. Mr. Michael Manson, of Macmillan, again impressed the House with his expert knowledge. Mr. Bruhn, of Salmon, made another unavailing plea for better terms to the interior lumbermen. Mr. Coventry, of Nanaimo, to amend the Act so as to provide for the gradual elimination of the lumbermen from the industry. He was ruled out of order by the speaker. Mr. Bruhn, of Salmon, made another unavailing plea for better terms to the interior lumbermen. Mr. Coventry, of Nanaimo, to amend the Act so as to provide for the gradual elimination of the lumbermen from the industry. He was ruled out of order by the speaker.

The House faces its last week of the session. In that there is such a person to be seen in the place—might describe as joyful but not triumphant. As one member put it to a veteran colleague today: "There's a lot to do yet." And as the veteran colleague retorted: "Yes, and you've got to do it." In fact, there are many subjects still to be discussed in this House, and only one more week to do it in, that may precipitate a good, wholesome, political quarrel, potential seeds of dissension, so to say, probable cause belli, indeed. There is Beer, for instance, with all its calamitous connotations political—Beer, that was to be taken out of politics, and that won't come out. And there is Church Union, and the good old P.R.E., and what the members for Mary Todd Island, and after taking one bottle of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup I found great relief, and after having taken several bottles I was relieved of my trouble."

As to Beer—which is anathema to Attorney-General Manson, and poison to Premier Oliver, and ninety-nine per cent. nitroglycerine to the martyred ministry, and which they have, nevertheless, persisted in pick-

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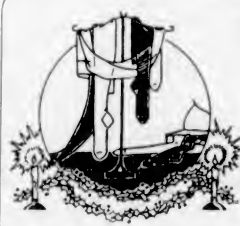
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ing at until it has grown from a mere political pimple into a monstrous suppurating boil on the face of all things Governmental—there will be much ado about Beer. It is believed that there is enough "wet" sentiment in the House to prevent the deletion of the liquor laws last session. It is also a credible prediction that whatever is done about Beer will not be done without a tremendous fuss in the House, and tremendous amount of dissatisfaction outside it. And there is only one more week; and what no member forgets for a minute is the absolute necessity that the House should end its Christmas plum pudding in the bosom of its family, with its mind at rest about all things legislative, and with the memory of the first session of the Sixteenth Parliament "melted into the infinite azure of the past," and all that.

As to Church Union it is safe to predict that any member who wants to mix himself up in that discussion is going to be allowed to do it by most of his fearful and admiring colleagues. It is going to be discussed, nevertheless. It is reported that a modus vivendi between the conflicting factions ecclesiastical has been arrived at.

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HOUSE MAKES INFORMAL VOTE EFFECTIVE

Common Danger Clause Are to Be Strengthened—Big Thing Is Safety, Says Mr. Pooley

The House yesterday morning made effective the informal vote taken a few days ago in favor of deleting speed limit provisions in the Motor Act. Attorney-General Manson thereupon announced his intention of bringing down further amendments to make the enforcement of the common danger clause easier. One or two members who were opposed to the change had asked to have the question reopened, but yesterday's vote was even more overwhelming than the previous one, not more than seven or eight voting against it on

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the show of hands in committee. Hon. J. D. MacLean opposed elimination of the speed limit, saying that enforcement of a common danger clause was not possible without a police force of high intelligence—a condition which, he said, was unfortunately not the case. "We are speed crazy," said the Finance Minister.

Mr. Charles Woodward said he had received several letters of protest, and thought twenty miles a high enough speed limit, but later voted for the repeal section. Mr. F. Browne said there had been no request from local authorities for the change, and quoted magistrates' decisions that common danger convictions were hard to get.

Mr. R. H. Pooley said that the big thing was to get in the people's minds that they must drive safely. Speed limits were taken as a licence, and there were always some who tried to take about five miles an hour more than the law allowed, no matter what the limit. A common danger provision would put these speed maniacs on their guard, as no speed limit would do, he urged. Premier Oliver and Mr. W. A. McKenzie asked that the regulations be printed on the back of the drivers' licences, which the Attorney-General agreed to do. The bill was then taken out of committee to await the proposed amendments defining more clearly the common danger clause, and providing a new code of penalties appropriate to the changed condition of the act.

Killed by Blood Transfusions
 PATERSON, N.J., Dec. 13.—Blood transfusions are believed to have caused the death of John R. Murray, of Middlesex, N.Y. During the last four years, Murray has given nearly a hundred blood transfusions, for which he received from \$75 to \$100 each.

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Daily British Colonist of December 14, 1874.)
 The steamer North Pacific, with 23 passengers, the overland mails, and the following freight, arrived from Tacoma yesterday. Two hundred and ten sheep, 18 head of cattle, 5 horses, 59 boxes, 1 wagon. Farmer Penton has our thanks for customary favors.
 Rev. The Rev. E. C. Criddle, of the Reformed Episcopal Church, paid a visit to Seattle on Tuesday last, where he met with a hearty welcome. On Wednesday the reverend gentleman preached a sermon to a large congregation at Mr. May's farm, beginning at the same the son of Mr. J. Welch and the daughter of Mr. J. Truitt. The services were held that it will not be long before they have the pleasure of seeing Mr. Criddle again.
 The improvements on board the steamer Favorite for the mail service between Victoria and Tacoma are progressing well. There will be a vigorous competition offered.

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THE SPIRITUAL NEED

Our modern inventions, which are regarded by so many as the hall mark of a progressing civilization, pamper the body, but it cannot be said that they are enlarging the mind and elevating the spirit. In much that makes for true culture our minds are poorer than in the centuries gone by, and it is just possible that they are continuing to grow debased. Before the days of trains, telephones, steamships, motor cars and aeroplanes, when moving pictures were unknown and radio communication was not even dimly conceived, men thought and wrote and worked with a vision and a earnestness that have enriched the records of humanity for all times. There is no modern Greek who can chisel La Venus de Milo; no Scotchman who can write as Robert Burns wrote; no Italian who can now measure in language such as Dante used the inviolable punishments and rewards meted out to mankind for deeds done in the flesh. We have no St. Francis of Assisi, no Raphael, no Michelangelo; no one who can write poetry like Shakespeare or paint pictures like Rembrandt.

Today the world is infinitely richer in material wealth than it has ever been in all its history, but it is not richer in spirit, because it has no Cromwell, no Milton, no Bunyan, no Raleigh, no Drake. There are more people who can read and write nowadays than ever before, but the world is far from being as cultured as it was in the centuries that have passed, and this is simply because reading and writing constitute really nothing in themselves without experience that they should bring in their train. Moving pictures do not mean culture. Light novels do not inspire great convictions. It was the men of the olden days who won for the peoples freedom of speech, the right to worship God according to their conscience; won all those civil rights and liberties which should be rigidly treasured but the winning of which can only be described as moral not material progress. We have now creative energy enough on the purely physical plane but little or none on the other planes which matter so much more.

Who shall say that the decay of culture is not due to a decadence in the religious sense of the people? The judgment of Hamilton Wright Mable on the Bible was that, "There is power enough in it to revive a decaying age or give a new date and a fresh impulse to a race which has parted with its creative energy." The Bible has been a revivifying force before now as is noted in Green's "Short History of the English People," when, in writing of three centuries ago, he said: "No greater moral change ever passed over a nation than passed over England during the years which parted the middle of the reign of Elizabeth from the meeting of the Long Parliament. England became the people of a book, and that book was the Bible. It was as yet the one English book which was familiar to every Englishman: it was read at churches and read at home, and everywhere its words, as they fell on ears which custom had not deadened to their force and beauty, kindled a startling enthusiasm. . . . The whole temper of the nation was changed. A new conception of life and of man superseded the old. A new moral and religious impulse spread through every class. The whole nation became in fact a church."

The influence of the Bible, wherever it is exerted, is an elevating one. Mr. J. L. Paton, a well-known educationalist, says: "If men read trash they think trash, and if they think trash they become trash." It is only by great thoughts, by great convictions, by force of character, by contact with the mighty spirit which surges through the Bible and which should surge through all Christianity, that mankind can be ennobled. The Bible has been the creative force in all great English literature. The invincibility of Cromwell's soldiers was due to their religious convictions. The sailors who defeated the Armada were inspired by the spirit of religious truth. That truth is the master light of our knowledge of human nature, for it pierces through the outer covering to the heart. As Carlyle wrote, "David's life and history, as written for us in those Psalms of his, I consider to be the truest emblem ever given of a man's moral progress and warfare here below."

The regeneration of mankind, and of the culture of mankind, which is in a process of decay, lies in a reversion to Christianity; not to the Christianity of sensational pulpits but to the Christianity of faith, hope and charity, to which historians, authors and orators the world over have borne witness through succeeding ages. It lies in a return to an incorruptible religion, which will mean that there shall abide for us that Faith, which Ruskin says, in writing of The Mystery of Life, "is no more to be assailed by temptation, no more to be defended by wrath and by fear; shall abide with us Hope, no more to be quenched by the years that overwhelm, or made ashamed by the shadows that betray; shall abide for us and with us,

the greatest of these—the abiding will, the abiding name of our Father. For the greatest of these is Charity."

DRASTIC LEGISLATION

An Act to amend the Co-operative Associations Act, fathered by the Attorney-General, is now before the Provincial Legislature. It is inspired, no doubt, by Mr. Barrow, the Minister of Agriculture, at the solicitation of some group of producers in the Province. There is one very drastic clause which it contains and one that should not receive the sanction of the Legislature. It is to the effect that: "Every person who solicits or persuades or aids or abets a grower to sell or deliver any agricultural or manufactured product otherwise than in accordance with the terms of the co-operative marketing contract entered into by him, or accepts or receives for sale, or for auction, or for display for sale, any agricultural or manufactured product of a grower delivered by the grower otherwise than in accordance with the terms of the co-operative marketing contract entered into by him, shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars."

This clause, on the face of it, is legislation in restraint of trade. It can hardly be considered to come within the purview of the Provincial Government because it is known that all matters relating to trade and commerce are purely Federal concerns. Such co-operative methods as are proposed, and proposed as it were under duress, will conceivably raise the price of products to the consumer. In effect, what the clause means is that co-operators can perpetuate their strength, pay the lowest possible figure to producers, while there is nothing to govern the prices which they are to charge the public. Let us take the case of milk. Over 50 per cent of the milk consumed in the cities of Victoria and Vancouver is handled by independent dairymen. The price paid by independent dealers is considerably higher than that received by the members from their co-operative association. The price to the public is the same in all cases. The independent dealers are able to carry on with less spread between the producer and the consumer than is allowed for under the co-operative plan. Producers naturally desire to ship to whoever will pay the best price, and it is to arrest this movement that the present legislation appears to be planned. The logical conclusion, therefore, is that the legislation is engineered by some co-operative organization.

It can be imagined how drastic the legislation that is proposed is when it is noted that the penalty provided applies in the matter of all agricultural or manufactured products. The Bill provides that no person can solicit produce from any producer who may be a member of a co-operative association. In other words, an independent dealer cannot approach such producer and counsel him to cancel his contract and ship elsewhere on better terms, without incurring a penalty of \$500. This is obviously a step in restraint of trade, purposely intended to create a monopoly under the cloak of co-operation. The Bill mentioned does not prevent a co-operative association from soliciting produce contracted to an independent dealer, and because it does not do this it is seen at once that there is no intention whatever of protecting the independents. We are assured that when the Members of the Legislature examine this measure closely they will see how unjust and drastic it is and will govern their attitude towards it accordingly.

MR. SAMUEL GOMPERS

The death of Mr. Samuel Gompers removes a strong influence from the ranks of organized labor in the United States. He was an influence in a variety of ways for good, for he never counselled wild action to attain betterment in industrial conditions. He was a restraining force, and, perhaps, what will always be remembered as his outstanding achievement, is the attitude he took that Labor as a class should not embark on the doubtful sea of politics. He believed that organized labor was organized for industrial and not for political purposes, a conception which no doubt the course of events will prove correct as time proceeds. Mr. Gompers by his policies elevated the cause of Labor. He was a strong man in his opinions and inherently strong because his convictions were so often on the side of right. He was a patriot as well as the leader of a Labor movement. His passing will be mourned far outside the ranks of Labor, and that is a high tribute to his influence for good.

Premier Oliver has yielded to the repeated attempts made by Mr. J. Hinchliffe, member for Victoria, to insure the holding of a by-election within six months of a vacancy occurring. The Constitution Act is being amended to make this possible. It should be insured that this is made retroactive so far as the present vacancy in Grand Forks-Greenwood is concerned, which would mean that there would be a by-election there between now and the end of next March.

The Montreal Star has refused the publication of any further letters on the subject of Church Union. It is thanked for taking this attitude by a correspondent, who says that the cause of both parties, and more particularly of the Christian Church, was beginning to suffer from this prolonged and bitter controversy.

Note and Comment

By R. B. D.

Why do we wonder at the increasing activities of criminals when one of the supreme objects of the state seems to be to coddle its criminals? Penitentiaries nowadays in the United States are equipped with all modern improvements and the inmates of penitentiaries are supplied with every available luxury. It would not be in accord with the spirit of the age to permit time to hang heavily upon the minds of convicted murderers and thieves. One penal institution has a band, and the convicts are the musicians. This gifted organization has been broadcasting its performances for the benefit of the people of the United States, and possibly some Canadian receiving strains have been picking up the sweet strains wafted upon the breeze from the instruments of the musicians. Canadians cannot afford to allow the United States to outdo them in philanthropic and altruistic works, and doubtless our penitentiaries will soon be equipped with every device designed to relieve the tedium of our unfortunate victims of circumstances.

An American newspaper expresses astonishment at the fact that one young convict marched up to the door of the penitentiary with a jaunty step and that his countenance was not in the least downcast at the prospect of temporary loss of his individual freedom. Doubtless it must be somewhat of a hardship for a daring young fellow, bold of spirit and eager for adventure, to be deprived for a year or so of the excitement of slugging a neighbor and seizing his hard-earned possessions; but a year is not much when cut out of the span of life of a young man. The term of incarceration and inactivity will soon pass by; then the enterprising adventurer can avenge himself upon society by slugging a little harder and possibly killing his next selected victim. There are compensations in the life of a desperado—the electric chair or the scaffold has but a remote chance of cutting them off. We must treat our unfortunate criminals with every tenderness and consideration.

There is always something to be thankful for if you happen to be endowed with a cheerful spirit. Federalists are still permitted to roam about upon the streets, even to jay-walk, without being called upon by a policeman to produce licences.

Troubles are accumulating upon the head of Mr. Charles Chaplin. The celebrated comedian lately took unto himself a new wife, having regularly discarded the old one in accordance with established Hollywood procedure. Charlie had just settled down and was prepared for a period of perfect bliss when the authorities stepped in and told him that his bride must neglect her household duties and attend school. She was but a young thing, and her education had not been completed. Mr. Chaplin might have been entrusted with the job of completing and burnishing off the education of the young woman, one would naturally have thought, but the state had a duty to perform and insisted upon performing it.

Mr. Chaplin remembered his aged mother in some part of Europe and decided to import her and keep her in comfort for the rest of her days. That was an eminently proper and commendable thought to enter the mind of the gifted comedian. The idea was greatly to his credit and he should have been congratulated upon it. But the state could not keep its hands off of Charlie's domestic affairs. It decided that Mrs. Chaplin, Sr., had been illegally imported and must be legally exported. There was no possibility of the aged lady becoming a charge upon the American commonwealth. Her son certainly could afford to maintain her until the end of her days in all the comfort to which she had been accustomed. But there was the quota provision of the law, and it must be rigidly observed. We suspect that Mr. Chaplin in his domestic difficulties feels like smashing the law in the face with one of his stage pies.

Rt. Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King has not uttered a word about the preferential trade proposals of the Baldwin Government. If the Canadian Premier were to say anything upon the subject, probably no one would be able to comprehend what he meant, because he has the gift of being as enigmatical in his utterances as it is possible for any rational being to be. Consequently we assume that there is no danger whatever of the autonomy of Canada being menaced by the preferential trade proposals.

The newspaper supporters of the Premier are not so discreet. They print their opinions, and their printed opinions are not favorable to the proposals of the British Government. Those opinions reveal a spirit of bitter hostility. We are told that there cannot be preferential trade between the Mother Country and the Dominions without adding to the cost of living in Great Britain and thus inflicting a hardship upon the people of Great Britain. Furthermore, the preference will not be worth much to the people of the Dominions. It may provide a more remunerative market for some few of the products of British Columbia, such as fish, fruit and lumber, but that is hardly worth talking about. We should shut such sordid thoughts out of our minds. We should not think of taking an unfair advantage of the fish of Alaska, the lumber of Washington and Oregon, or the fruit of California. Of course not. Consider the latitude we enjoy in the free markets of the United States!

Canada's Story Day

by Day

By BLODWIN DAVIES

December 14

As the public debate pile up and the tax bills grow longer, Canadians sometimes sigh for something of the economy of John Sandfield MacDonald, the crucial politician of the Confederation period, and, who, as first Premier of Ontario after the union of the provinces, piled up the famous "Sandfield MacDonald surplus." The surplus amounted to over three million dollars in four years, and that in the time of meagre revenues. Premier MacDonald was a Canadian born, coming from a home in Gengarry Township. He was a shrewd politician, but economy and retrenchment were a mania with him. In the years before Confederation he had reached the top of the political ladder as Premier of the United Canada, and he was one of the staunch supporters of the scheme which he believed would bring untold benefits to every province involved. He held a variety of offices in the Legislature, being at one time speaker, and on this day in 1849 he was appointed Solicitor-General of the United Canada. Thus, in his capacity as first Premier of the Province of Ontario under the Confederation Act, he proved himself capable of organizing the public services of the Province, and there have not been many changes in the system since.

December 15

The prohibition movement in Canada has not been a thing of recent years but traces its origin back beyond Confederation. The first edict against the use or sale of intoxicating liquor was issued by the Jesuits in Quebec in the seventeenth century, when imprisonment and death were provided by law, at their instigation, for Canadians who sold to the Indians. By 1873 there was a sufficiently strong public sentiment against the liquor traffic to press an appeal for prohibition upon the Government. Sir John A. MacDonald appointed a commission to consider the facts, presented by the temperance advocates. On the conclusion of its work the commission declared that any district which desired it could institute prohibition. Meanwhile the campaign for total prohibition continued, and on this day in 1892 Prince Edward Island declared for prohibition by a vote of 6,118 to 1,923. Since that time various methods have been tried, and during the war Dominion-wide prohibition came into force. The measure is still being readjusted and adapted to meet local conditions, but the use of liquor is diminishing each year.

Today, December 13 Is the Anniversary of:

Birth of Tycho Brahe, the illustrious astronomer; Knudstorp, Denmark, 1546.
Birth of Daniel Negi, author of the History of the Puritans; London, 1678.
Birth of James Bruce, the noted African explorer; Kinnaird, Stirling-shire, 1730.
Birth of Rev. Charles Wolfe, who wrote "The Burial of Sir John Moore"; Dublin, 1791.
Birth of Prince Albert, Duke of York; 1819.
Death of Sir John Oldcastle, Lord Cobham; burned at the stake as a Lollard; London, 1417.
Death of Thomas Tymmer, historiographer royal in reigns of William III and Queen Anne; London, 1712.
Death of George Washington; Mount Vernon, 1799.
Death of John Claudius Loudon, eminent writer on gardening; London, 1843.
Death of George Hamilton Gordon, fourth Earl of Aberdeen, the distinguished statesman; London, 1860.
Death of Prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria; Windsor Castle, 1861.

December 15 Anniversaries

Birth of George Romney, the celebrated painter; Dalton-in-Furness, Lancashire, 1734.
Birth of Jerome Bonaparte, youngest brother of Napoleon; Ajaccio, Corsica, 1784.
Death of Isaac Walton, "the patron saint of anglers"; Winchester, 1682.
Death of Louis Agassiz, the great naturalist; Cambridge, Mass., 1873.
Funeral of Napoleon at the Hotel des Invalides; Paris, 1840.
Battle of Colenso, in the Boer war; 1920.

Forest Fire Clause in Act Is Ordered Out

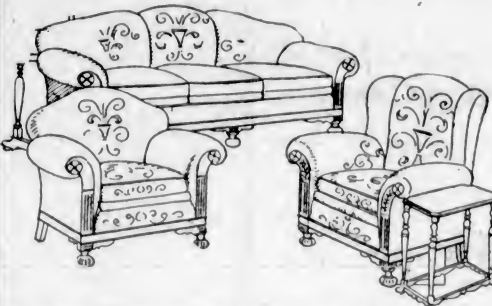
In the concluding stages of discussion of the Forest Act amendments in the Legislature yesterday, Mr. Michael Manson endeavored to strike out a clause imposing penalties on those who, having been granted permits to start fires, allowed them to get beyond the boundaries of the permit. Various members opposed the amendment, on the ground that settlers adjacent to those receiving such permits were entitled to protection from carelessness. The amendment was defeated. There was also a brief discussion on the employment of Orientals in the mills, but no action was taken.

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There is a splendid display of moderately priced toys in Toy Town—from 15¢ to 75¢—but there is also a selection of strong, well-made Wagons, Wheelbarrows, Doll Carriages, Tricycles, Etc., that will give the children lots of fun for months to come. These wheel toys are priced most reasonably.

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ISSUES OFFICIAL RECOUNT FIGURES

NO CHANGES IN STANDING OF CIVIC CANDIDATES

Messrs. M. P. Blair and J. L. Mara, Aldermen-Elect for One-Year, May Begin Duties

Returning Officer Snowcroft's official recount of ballots yesterday made no change in the standing of the aspirants for civic honors.

It is expected that Aldermen-elect J. L. Mara and M. P. Blair, elected for the one-year term, will take their seats on the Council at the regular meeting tomorrow night. They will take the places vacated by ex-Aldermen Christie and Sargent, who resigned to enter the mayoralty race.

The result of the official recount yesterday is as follows:

For Mayor—	
Fendray	3455
Sargent	905
Christie	621
Andrea	507
For School Trustees—	
Jay	3264
Leitchfield	2944
Morebay	2026
Pike	1862
Ferguson	1649
Smith	1632
For Police Commissioner—	
Stenland	2568
Hall	922
Day	726
Palmer	734
Food	246
Spotted	74

Referendum—	
Yes	6296
No	2221
Spotted	22

By-Election (Alderman Christie's unexpired term)—

Blair	2861
Graham	1838
Spotted	88

By-Election (Alderman Sargent's unexpired term)—

Mara	2306
Dineale	1691
Oliver	628
Spotted	71

JOBS FOUND FOR MEN OUT OF WORK

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Typical Cases of Need

Here are a few typical cases in which help is urgently needed:

Mr. A. is a first-class woodworker. He has a wife and two children to support. He was badly shell-shocked during the war and cannot long stand

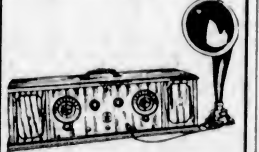
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Mr. B. is a native son of Victoria, 30 years of age, with a wife and two small children. This man's war disability is a drop foot, which prevents him from doing hard manual labor. He is, however, a fine man, of timekeeper, and has excellent references. Surely someone will be needing some extra help round their office or place of business this Christmas that this man could fill.

Mr. C. is a war amputation case, a married man with two children. He could handle a light job in a warehouse or store-room; can operate an elevator.

Mr. D. has a wife and family of small children. He is a good painter and decorator, but owing to a war disability he cannot climb to any great height, and is possibly a little slower than an absolutely fit man. He has managed fairly well to keep the wolf from the door during the Summer, and the Winter weather, with its call for fuel, extra food and clothing, makes this a really necessary case.

Such instances and many others could be multiplied indefinitely. These men are not asking for charity or doles, but for an opportunity to work at some honorable form of employment, within their capabilities, that will enable them to earn sufficient to supply themselves and their families with their immediate wants. Look around your home or place of business, decide to have this or that job done now, and then send or bring the particulars to 213 Sayward Building, telephone 655, or fill up one of the employment pledge cards at The Colonist or Times offices.

LABOR MOURNS LEADER'S DEATH

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borne to the station on an artillery caisson, surrounded by a military escort, accompanied by delegations representing the city and the Labor organizations here, for the beginning of the last journey.

Sleeping in his great bronze casket in a flag-draped house of death, the late president of the American Federation of Labor drew to himself throughout the day the men of labor and of capital, the men who work in field and factory, those who knew him only as a name, and those who knew him as a loved and loving companion, all filed past the massive coffin, which was flanked by banks of flowers and draped with the American flag.

Two special coaches on a regular M.K.T. train waited at the station for their mourned passenger, and the Labor officials who had been Mr. Gompers' official council in life and were now his chief mourners in death.

Comrades Guard Casket

The rear observation coach was made ready to receive the casket, while members of the Labor group were to occupy a sleeping car just ahead. Two beds were placed in the funeral car near the casket, for the Labor officials who will act as the watch and guard on the journey. Plans were made to have at least two comrades on duty at all times.

Services are to be held in Washington, and the body is to be taken to New York Wednesday morning, where further services probably will be held and a funeral oration preached by someone to be selected.

Mr. Gompers' body will lie in state at the American Federation of Labor headquarters in Washington on the afternoon and night of its arrival next Tuesday, and will be taken to New York Wednesday. Services will be held in New York, and interment will be in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, Tarrytown, New York, according to present arrangements.

President's Sympathy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—President Coolidge sent the following message today to Mrs. Samuel Gompers:

"It is with great regret that I have heard of your bereavement, and I want to express to you my deep sympathy in your sorrow. Mr. Gompers' whole life was devoted to the interests of organized labor, until his name had become almost synonymous with the cause which he represented. As the founder and head of a great organization, no man has had a wider influence in the shaping of the policy of the wage earners of the nation, and his loss will be long felt by his associates, not only at home but abroad."

Flag at Half-Mast

BOSTON, Dec. 13.—Mayor Curley today ordered flags flown at half-mast on all city buildings until after the funeral of Samuel Gompers. The Mayor said Mr. Gompers had brought about the Saturday half-holiday, reduction from twelve to eight hours in the working day, substitution of living wage for a starvation wage, and preservation of American Labor from the tenets of communism.

Samuel Gompers was the controlling spirit of organized Labor in the United States and virtually on this continent.

Starting at the age of fourteen, when he was an apprentice cigar-maker, he devoted virtually his entire life to advancing the welfare and interests of the workers.

Gompers was one of the Founders of the American Federation of Labor and was the last survivor of the group which planned its organization.

For more than a half-century political ambitions, lucrative business opportunities and the lure of fame were unable to deter him from his trade union activities.

Gompers was born in a London slum quarter, January 27, 1850, and at the age of ten was put to work in a shoe factory, but soon became apprenticed to the cigar trade. With his parents and several relatives he came to America in 1863 and was naturalized when he became twenty-one years old.

In 1864 he became the first registered member of the International "Cigar-makers' Union" and was soon elected secretary. Shortly afterward he was advanced to the presidency and was never removed from that office.

When the American Federation of Labor was organized in 1881, Gompers was offered the presidency, but refused and served as vice-president. The next year pressure was so great that he became president and he continued in that position until 1924.

He was defeated by John McBride, representing the coal miners, the following year and led organized Labor for many years thereafter.

For contempt of court he was famous Bucks Store case in 1905.

Gompers was sentenced to one year's imprisonment. An appeal was made to the United States Supreme Court, and after dragging the case until 1914, the high court ruled that further action was barred by the statute of limitation, and he was released from serving the sentence.

During his first five years as head of the American Federation of Labor, Gompers received no salary, but was allowed his expenses, which amounted to \$13 for the five years. When the federation underwent a re-organization in 1915, Gompers was given an annual salary.

Including every important union in the United States, the Federation became a powerful organization under the guidance of Gompers. He always successfully combated tendencies toward Socialism in the ranks of the Labor movement, and was an earnest advocate of industrial conciliation.

It is said that the veteran Labor chief settled more strikes by individual effort than any other man in Labor history.

During the late war Gompers kept the Labor forces behind the Government and served as chairman of the Labor committee of the Council of National Defence.

Gompers was married to Sophia Julian, who came to America from England about the same time he came. She died in March, 1920. Gompers remarried on April 14, 1921, Gertrude Neuschaefer.

The Labor chief had four children: Samuel, Jr., Henry J., Alexander and Sadie. The last-named died in 1918 at the age of 23. She was an actress on Keith's circuit for several years, specializing in singing.

When the American Federation of Labor was formed its membership totaled less than \$5,000, while official figures at the recent convention at El Paso showed that there were 3,195,651 members.

Reports of the Federation show the following activities by Gompers in one year:

He delivered 79 addresses all over the country; attended 13 trade union conventions; made 80 trips by rail and two by airplane, covering 24,000 miles; participated in nearly 500 conferences; appeared before four committees of congress and five committees of state legislatures; answered 15,267 official and personal letters; wrote several hundred editorials and issued 148 press statements.

The Republican nomination for Congress, which was equivalent to election from the district in which he resided in New York, was offered him several times, but he steadfastly refused to be swayed from his Labor work.

FRIENDLY HELP ASKS FOR CHRISTMAS AID

This is the crucial time of the year for the Friendly Help Association, which is now making a special appeal for goods, in cash and kind, so that it may be enabled to make up its customary Christmas hamper for the needy. Want is greater at the present season than it has been for some years past, and it is hoped that a knowledge of this will act as a spur to public generosity. It is desired that all Christmas contributions should be received by next Saturday, as the packing of the Christmas hampers is set for Monday, December 22. All contributions should be sent to the Friendly Help room, Market Building (upstairs), Cormorant Street.

OBITUARIES

ELLIGHT—The remains of the late Mr. Thomas Ellight are resting at the B.C. Funeral Chapel, where private service will be conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

SPOTTS—Funeral service for the late Albert Spotts will be held in the chapel of the B.C. Funeral Co. Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The remains will be laid to rest at Shady Creek Cemetery, Saanich.

BOORMAN—There passed away yesterday morning at her late residence, 2640 Cook Street, Mrs. Frances Jane Boorman, widow of the late Mr. Wm. S. Boorman, who was born in London, England, and had been a resident of this city for the past 29 years. The remains are resting at the B.C. Funeral Chapel, where service will be held Monday afternoon at 2:30. Interment will be made in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

KEE—Funeral service was held yesterday afternoon at the Thomson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, at 2:30 o'clock, for the late Matthew Wesley Kee, who passed away at the home of his brother-in-law, 2510 Richmond Avenue, last Thursday morning. The Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, M.A. of St. John's Church, conducted the service. The hymn sung was "Lead, Kindly Light." Mrs. K. M. Morton rendered a solo, "Hope and Learn." Mr. Lawton Partridge presiding at the organ. There were many friends present, and many beautiful floral designs covered the casket. Members of the I.O.O.F. turned out in a body to pay their last respects to a departed brother, the late Mr. Kee being D.D.G.M. of No. 43, I.O.O.F., Kaskatchewan. The service at the open grave was taken by Past Noble Grand James McCallill and Past Grand Master W. H. Cullin acted as chaplain. The pallbearers were all members of the I.O.O.F., Past Grand Master Brothers F. W. Dempster, W. H. Cullin and A. Henderson, Past Noble Grand were Brothers D. A. Henry, C. D. Munn and R. A. Virtue. The remains were laid to rest in Ross Bay cemetery.

THE WEATHER

The barometer remains low over Northern British Columbia, and rain is falling on the coast. Snow is reported in Alberta, and snow weather ahead in Manitoba.

Victoria	Min.	Max.
Vancouver	48	55
Kamloops	35	42
Prince Rupert	32	39
Fort St. John	28	35
Edmonton	25	32
Calgary	22	29
Winnipeg	18	25
Portland, Ore.	48	55
San Francisco	45	52
Seattle, Wash.	42	49
Portland, Me.	39	46
Grand Forks	36	43
Minneapolis	33	40
Omaha	30	37
St. Louis	27	34
Chicago	24	31
Indianapolis	21	28
Philadelphia	18	25
New York	15	22
Boston	12	19
Washington	9	16

Maximum temperature at Victoria, B.C., 55. Minimum at the same place, 48. Wind, S.W. 4 miles per hour. Cloudy. Rain, 0.1 inch.

At 10 a.m. the barometer was 29.84; wind, S.W. 4 miles per hour. Cloudy. Rain, 0.1 inch.

At 4 p.m. the barometer was 29.84; wind, S.W. 4 miles per hour. Cloudy. Rain, 0.1 inch.

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At 11 p.m. the barometer was 29.84; wind, S.W. 4 miles per hour. Cloudy. Rain, 0.1 inch.

At 12 a.m. the barometer was 29.84; wind, S.W. 4 miles per hour. Cloudy. Rain, 0.1 inch.

At 1 a.m. the barometer was 29.84; wind, S.W. 4 miles per hour. Cloudy. Rain, 0.1 inch.

At 2 a.m. the barometer was 29.84; wind, S.W. 4 miles per hour. Cloudy. Rain, 0.1 inch.

At 3 a.m. the barometer was 29.84; wind, S.W. 4 miles per hour. Cloudy. Rain, 0.1 inch.

At 4 a.m. the barometer was 29.84; wind, S.W. 4 miles per hour. Cloudy. Rain, 0.1 inch.

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Special Menagerie Chocolates, for children, box	10¢ and 25¢	Martinelli's Sparking Apple Cider, per bottle	25¢
Glaze Cherries, lb.	60¢	Fairall's Ginger Wine, bottle	40¢
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Court Triumph—The ladies of Court Triumph, A.O.F., have completed all arrangements for their annual bazaar, which will be held next Friday night in Foresters' Hall. A special committee are providing seven novel features to carry out the spirit of Christmas. Larman's Orchestra has been engaged to supply the music. Refreshments and Christmas cheer will be served in abundance. All Foresters and friends welcome.

Court Liberty A.O.F.—Court Liberty, Juveniles A.O.F., held a very successful meeting last Friday night when fifteen new members were initiated. The election of officers also took place, when the following were elected: O. Pearson, C. R. A. Francis, S.C.R., J. Watson, E.W. W. Wilson, J.W. M. Thackeray, S.B. W. McDowell, J.L. and T. Larman, pianist. One hundred and fifty members were present, and after the meeting a social and dance was enjoyed, when refreshments were served by the adults. The annual banquet will take place in conjunction with the January meeting.

City & District

Lantern Reading—There will be a lantern reading at the Community Church this evening at 7:30, entitled "Enoch Arden," by Tennyson. There will be special music.

Moving Picture Plan—Word has been received by the Tourist Group of the Chamber of Commerce that Dr. Thompson, of Hollywood, will be here on Monday to put a moving picture scheme before this city.

Canadian Legion—A meeting of the Executive Council will be held on Monday, December 14 at 8 p.m. A general meeting of members will take place on Wednesday, December 17, at the same hour. A full attendance is desired.

Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter—The regular monthly meeting of the Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held on Tuesday at the Hamley Building. All members are requested to bring donations for the Christmas hamper.

Bishop Cridge Chapter—The regular monthly meeting of the Bishop Cridge Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held at the residence of Mrs. Rowley Heyland, 1242 Richardson Street, on Tuesday, December 16, at 8:30 o'clock. The attendance of all members is looked for to arrange for Christmas work.

Entertain Aged Men—A concert was held for the benefit of the inmates of the Home for Aged Men, by Mrs. A. H. Gaiger last evening. The following artists took part in the programme: Miss M. Foy, Miss M. Rutledge, Miss N. Green, Miss Hammond, Miss May, Mrs. Davis, Miss Fowler, Mr. A. Smith, Mr. A. Welsh, Mr. Booth, Eric Gaiger and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gaiger.

Machine Gun Battalion—On Tuesday next, December 16, motion pictures illustrating machine gun drill, performed by highly-trained troops, will be shown in the machine gun instructional quarters in Work Point Barracks. All members of No. 1 Company will meet at the New Drill Hall at 7:45 p.m., in uniform, where transport will be at hand to take all ranks to and from Work Point Barracks.

Annual Bazaar—The Ladies of Court Maple Leaf A.O.F. are holding their annual bazaar on Thursday afternoon, at 2:30, in the Foresters' Hall, Broad Street. The committee would like all articles in during the morning. There will be a home cooking stall, also afternoon tea will be served by Sister Foster. Recap reading will be another feature of the afternoon.

St. Columba Ladies—The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Columba Presbyterian Church, Oak Bay, will hold a supper in the Sunday School rooms next Tuesday evening, December 16, to be followed by a play entitled "Saint Maillida's Visit," given by members of Carne Itebekah Lodge, No. 45. The cast will include Misses Vera Beckie, Agnes McCann, Helen Fraser, Amy McMillan, Thelma Smith, Marion Wilby, Tilly Grant and Margaret Stewart. Mrs. Eva Doane and Mrs. Pauline McConnell. The programme will also include: Scotch recitations by Mr. James Walker, vocal solos by Miss Verlie Johnson and Mr. W. H. Huiet; vocal duet by Mrs. E. M. Campbell and Mr. Stanley Bowers, and violin solo by Mr. Chris Miller. Supper will be served from 6 to 7:30, the entertainment programme to begin promptly at 8 o'clock. An attractive supper menu has been provided by the ladies, and the members of the managing board will serve as waiters.

Military 500 and Dance—The Women's Progressive Conservative Club will hold a military 500 and dance tomorrow (Monday), at the Conservative Club rooms, top floor, Campbell Building. Fourteen large, fat local turkeys will be given as prizes, and the winners can have their turkeys on the following Monday, December 22, if they so desire, to enable them to use them for Christmas. Tickets can be secured by phoning 6961, 6448 or 17065, or at the door on Monday night at 8:30. Reserved tables if desired. Fiddle's orchestra will supply the music for the dance. A good time is assured, and strangers to the city will be heartily welcomed. On the following Monday, December 22, the progressive Club members have arranged a progressive 500 and dance in the same hall, when some lovely Christmas gifts will be given as prizes for ladies and gentlemen. The club will hold their social every Monday in the club rooms.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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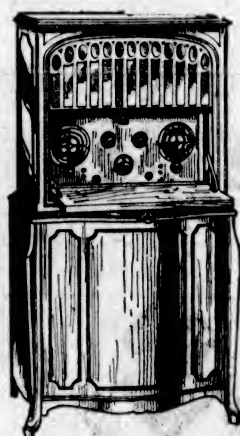
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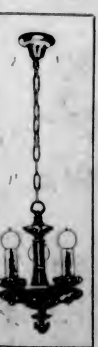
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English Fancy Cashmere Half Hose in the smartest effects in stripes, figures and embroidered spots. All shades, including grey, sand, black and ivory. Each pair in fancy gift box. All sizes. Regular \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00. Morning Special, **\$1.19** per pair.
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Use the Parcel Wrapping Desk on the Mezzanine Floor.

Monday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30
Indestructible Pearl Necklets

Nice lustrous creamy pearls, matched and graded, strung with strong pearl silk and fastened with silver clasp set with brilliant. Regular \$1.95. Morning Special, per string **\$1.00**.
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Practical Gifts That Men Will Appreciate

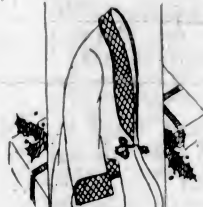


Men's Sweater Coats in Smart Novelty Colorings

Just the kind of a gift that any man will greatly appreciate. Coats Knit Pure Wool Sweater Coats, with V neck, plain sleeves and back and novelty colored fronts in new Egyptian designs. Three different patterns to choose from. Ideal coats to wear around the house or as an extra garment when driving the car. In fancy holly covered gift box. An extra good value at **\$7.00**

Men's Comfortable House Jackets

Here's another gift sure to please the man of the house. Wool Smoking Jackets, made with shawl collar, trimmed with fancy cord. Fastens with fancy cord. Packed in a fancy gift box. Excellent value at **\$9.95**

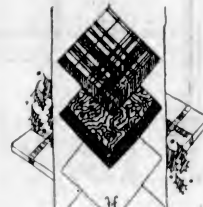


Men's All-Wool House Coats

In three different patterns of brown, dark grey and tweed mixture. Made with shawl collar, three pockets and trimmed with contrasting colored braid and cord; two-button style; all sizes. Price, each **\$12.50**

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Close fine pure linen, with neat initial in corner. Price, each **50c**

Men's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs

The finest of pure linen in one-quarter and one-half-inch hemstitched borders. Imported direct from the manufacturers in Ireland. Price, each **25c, 35c, 50c, 75c**

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Plain and initialed, finest heavy twist Silk Handkerchiefs with hemstitched borders. Priced at, each **\$1.00 and \$1.50**
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Monday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30

Men's Dressing Gowns

Warm cosy gowns, made from the famous Bolton Blanket cloth, in brown and blue floral and check designs, with shawl collar, pockets and girdle. Morning Special **\$6.95**
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"The Comfy Kind," made from beautiful fine felt in the Colonial style, silk ribbon trimmed, with padded inner soles and soft flexible leather outer soles. Colors of sage blue, dark blue, rose and fawn. Sizes 3 to 8. Price, per pair **\$1.75**



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Imported English Made Slippers, with fleece-lined inner soles, soft turn leather outer soles. Made on a comfy last in colors of helio, Alice blue and navy blue. Sizes 3 to 7. Price, per pair **\$2.00**

Silver Brocade Boudoir Slippers, \$2.50

Smart Silver Brocade Cloth Boudoir Slippers, with white fur collar trimming, fleece-lined inner soles and turn leather outer soles. A gift to be appreciated by any woman. Sizes 3 to 7. Price, per pair **\$2.50**
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Monday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30

Women's Knit Silk Scarfs

With fringed ends, in ivory, sage, sky, orange, purple, black, flesh pink, Pekin blue, silver and champagne. Morning Special, each **\$1.49**
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Monday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30

Women's Felt Slippers

With turn-over cuff and silk pompon trimmed. Have leather turn soles and flat heels. Ideal morning house shoes. Sizes 3 to 8. Regular \$1.50. Morning Special, per pair **98c**
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Dainty Boudoir Caps, \$2.95

Very Dainty Caps in wash satin and crepe de Chine, trimmed with fillet lace, wide satin ribbon and French flowers. Shades of orchid, pink, sky, flesh and rose. Also pretty styles in tulle, net and lace, in ecru only. Price, each **\$2.95**
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 —2nd Floor



Attractive Values in Smart Over-Blouses

Serviceable Spun Silk Over-Blouses, \$4.95

With Peter Pan and semi-tailored collars, long sleeves with turn-back cuffs. Finished with self material ties and one pocket. Sizes 36 to 42. Price, each **\$4.95**

Heavy Quality Spun Silk Over-Blouses

Shown in roll and Peter Pan collars, long sleeves with link cuffs. Collars and cuffs finished with knife pleating; also similar makes with tailored collar, very smart, with black artificial silk ties, in black and white only. Sizes 36 to 44. Good values. Price, each **\$7.95**

Tailored Crepe de Chine Over-Blouses

With convertible collars and link cuffs; others with semi-tailored collars, long sleeves and shirt cuffs. Neatly finished with contrasting stitching. Sizes 36 to 44. Price, each **\$12.50**

Smart Over-Blouses

A variety of very smart over-blouses in all the popular shades and styles; some with collars and others with neatly bound round necks, shown in both long or elbow length sleeves. Trimmings consist of dainty frills, pleated effects, pin tucks and contrasting colored materials and stitchings. An excellent variety to choose from in shades of sand, grey, cocoa, cerise, sheik, rust, black or navy. Sizes 36 to 44. Reasonably priced. Price, each **\$13.95**
 —2nd Floor

Kimonos and Dressing Jackets

Make Pleasing Christmas Gifts

Corduroy Velvet Kimonos, \$8.50

In durable quality material, straight style with kimono sleeves and all-round belt. Neck, front, sleeves and pocket trimmed with shirred ribbon velvet. In shades of grey, rose, violet and blue. Price, each **\$8.50**

Corduroy Velvet Kimonos, \$10.95

Very smart style, with long roll collar, finished with heavy silk girdle, sleeves and pocket trimmed with double row of shirring and cord piping. Shades of rose, mauve and blue. Price, each **\$10.95**

Imported Silk Kimonos, \$22.50

Nice warm garments in quilted silk. Front and cuffs trimmed with novelty stitching; large pocket and belt of self material. Shades of flesh, purple and sage. Sale Price, each **\$22.50**

Imported Silk Jackets, \$10.50

In quilted silk, with long tuxedo collar and deep cuffs, neatly stitched. Shades of violet, purple, rose and sky. Price, each **\$10.50**
 —2nd Floor



Buy Christmas Toys Now

Don't leave them until the last minute, but select now from complete assortments. Here are a few suggestions for tomorrow.

Wimbledon Tennis Game, the nearest approach to the outdoor game you have ever seen. Priced at \$10.00

Dolls' Beds, Simmons walnut finish steel beds, complete with spring, mattress and pillow. Price \$4.95

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Buttonhooks. Price, each 75c	Hair Receivers. Price, each \$2.75, \$2.95, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$4.50
Nail Scissors. Price, each \$2.50	Powder Boxes. Price, each \$2.25, \$2.75, \$2.95, \$3.50 and \$4.00
Nail Buffers. Price, each \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00	Photo Frames. Price, each \$1.00, \$1.25, \$3.00, \$4.75 and \$6.50
Glove Stretchers. Priced at, each \$1.25 and \$2.50	Trays. Price, each \$1.15, \$2.00, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00 and \$5.50
Shaving Soap Boxes. Price, each 50c, 85c and \$1.25	Jewel Boxes. Price, each \$4.50, \$5.95, \$7.50, \$9.00, \$12.00 and \$15.00
Perfume Bottle Holders. Price, each \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50	Boudoir Clocks. Price, each \$5.00 and \$12.50
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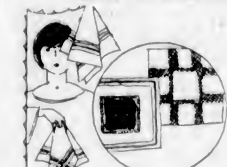
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Monday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30

Gift Perfumes

In fancy bottles, including Piver's, Seeley's, Hudnut's and others, to clear at this wonderful bargain price. Regular \$1.50 per oz. Morning Special, per oz. **98c**
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Gift Handkerchiefs in Boxes



Women's Colored Lawn Handkerchiefs

With pretty embroidered and cut-out designs in corner. Price, per box of 3 **45c and 50c**

Women's White Lawn Handkerchiefs

With embroidered designs in corner. Excellent values. Price, per box of 3 **50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25**

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With colored border and pictures in each corner. Price, per box of 3 **25c, 35c and 50c**
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Are Appreciated by Every Member of the Family

For Men

Indian-Made Tat and Dark Brown Elk Moccasin Slippers, wool lined, trimmed with bead ornaments; extremely durable and comfortable. Price, per pair **\$2.75**

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Extra Heavy Elk Leather Moccasin Slippers, soft and pliable, wool lined, trimmed with bead ornaments and fur. Price, per pair **\$2.75**

Suede Leather Moccasin Slippers, in several shades. Price, per pair \$1.50

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A Big Range of Infants' Moccasin Slippers. Price, pair, **\$1.00**

Children's Moccasin Slippers, in grey, brown and fawn. Price, per pair **\$1.25**

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Suede Moccasins
 In brown, fawn and grey suede, beaded, lined and fur-trimmed. Price, per pair **\$1.50**

Arrow Head Moccasin Slippers

Another attractive range of Moccasin Slippers, with arrow head beaded toe, fur trimming and wool lined; in tan, chocolate, dark grey, putty and several other shades. Price, pair, **\$3.50**

Indian-Made Moccasins

Fancy Beaded Indian-Made Moccasin Slippers, in Indian red, green, fawn, purple, chocolate. A most attractive slipper. Regular \$2.50. Price, pair, **\$2.00**

Hair Seal Slippers

Indian-Made Hair Seal Slippers

Price, per pair **\$2.75**

Indian-Made Moccasin Slippers

Cut high to fit snugly around the ankles, extra beaded, piped toe, fur trimmed, wool lined. In Indian shades of red, green, purple, putty and pale blue. Price, per pair **\$3.00**

Labrador Hair Seal Slippers

Extra Quality Labrador Hair Seal Slippers, made to fit high around the ankles. These slippers are made with the hair on the outside and beautifully lined with soft durable fur. The finest Indian-Made Moccasin Slippers on the market. Price, pair, **\$7.00**
 —2nd Floor

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One fancy towel and two face cloths. Price, per set **\$1.95**
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Christmas Groceries

Cresca Brand French Marrons, in vanilla syrup; per bottle, **85c** and **\$1.50**
 Cresca Brand Imperial Fleur French Prunes, per jar **\$2.25**
 Cresca Brand Stuffed Figs, per bottle for **\$1.25**
 Cresca Brand Preserved Figs, per jar **40c**
 Tea Garden Sweet Pickled Peas, per jar **\$1.10**
 Tea Garden Brand Sweet Pickled Peaches, per jar **\$1.00**
 Tea Garden Melba Peas, per jar for **\$1.25**
 Tea Garden Cranberry Sauce, per jar **65c**
 Tiger Brand Chutney, including Col. Skinner's Bengal Club, Tirohot, Cashmere, Major Grey's and Sweet Sliced Mangoes, large bottle **85c**
 Lea & Perrin's Worcestershire Sauce, per bottle **25c, 40c and 65c**
 Crosse & Blackwell's Mushroom Catsup, per bottle **25c and 40c**
 Harvey's Sauce, per bottle **30c**
 Eagle Brand Lobster, per tin **45c** and **85c**
 Halford's Curried Prawns, per tin for **\$1.10**
 Marine Brand Fancy Dry Shrimps, per tin **30c**
 Cocktail Brand Dry Shrimps, large tin **40c**

Non-Alcoholic Beverages and Table Waters

Fairall's Ginger Cordial, bottle, **40c**
 Grantham's Ginger Punch, per bottle **35c** and **45c**
 Oporto, greatly resembles port wine, per bottle **85c**
 Fowler's Concentrated Orange Sparkle, large bottle **\$1.15**
 Rose's Lime Juice (unsweetened); per bottle, **35c, 65c and 85c**
 Hay's Five Fruits Juice, per bottle for **\$1.10**
 Montserrat Lime Juice, per bottle for **85c**
 Kershaw's Loganberry Juice at, per bottle **60c**

True Flavor Extracts

Shirriff's Pure Lemon Extract, per bottle **25c, 45c, 85c and \$3.00**
 Shirriff's Pure Vanilla Extract at, per bottle **25c, 55c, \$1.00, \$1.85 and \$3.65**

Monday Morning Special

200 Boxes Caley's Christmas Crackers
 Contents include Musical Toys, Novelties and Toys. Morning Special, regular 25c for **10c**
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Gift Suggestions in the Drug Dept.

Houbigant's, Piver's and Coty's Perfumes. Good values at **\$1.00**
 Perfumes in cased bottles **\$2.50** and **\$3.50**
 De Liege Toilet Water at **\$3.00**
 Djer-Kiss Toilet Water, large size for **\$3.50**
 Namron Toilet Water **98c**
 Melba Lilac Toilet Water **\$2.00**
 Perfume Atomizer in colors **\$1.50 to \$2.50**
 Cutex Manicure Sets **\$1.00 and \$1.50**
 Manicure Rolls, French ivory and shell **\$0.90**
 Gents' Folding Handkerchiefs **\$1.50 and \$2.50**
 Jergen's Fancy Soaps, per tablet, **35c**
 Yardley's Red Roses, large bath tablets **3 for \$1.00**
 Old English Lavender Soap, 3 cakes for **\$1.00**
 Guerlain Toilet Soap **\$1.65**
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INTEREST KEEN IN THREE ELECTIONS

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are expected to enter the field for the two vacancies on the Board include Mrs. Campbell, Mr. H. P. Thorpe, and Mr. A. E. Horner, ex-councillor of Ward One.

All Likely to Seek Re-Election

All the members of the Saanich Council, with the exception of Councillor Robertshaw, of Ward Four, will likely be found running for the Council again. In that ward, three have announced their intention of entering the field. They are Mr. George McWilliam, chairman of the Saanich School Board and ex-councillor for the ward; Mr. Frank Mellor, whose candidacy he will receive the endorsement of the Ward Four Ratepayers' Association, and Mr. William Stubbs, School Trustee P. V. Hobbs, who has still another year to serve on that body, will run for Council next month, and will be a candidate in Ward Three, which is at present represented in the Council by Councillor Vantreigh.

With the promise of a three-cornered fight in Esquimalt, the re-election contest in that municipality promises to be full of interest. Although Reeve Alexander Lockie has not as yet made an announcement as to his intentions for next year, it is generally thought that he will be a candidate again for re-election. The names of Councillor Samuel A. Pomeroy and Captain R. P. Matheson have been advanced as possible candidates, and they have been urged to enter the field. They have not yet made up their minds as to whether they will participate in the re-election race.

All the members of the present Esquimalt Council are likely to run again, and Mr. G. W. Brooker, 1976 Esquimalt Road, will also be a candidate. He was an aspirant for a seat on the Council at the elections last year, but was unsuccessful at the polls.

School Board Contest

Interest in school board affairs will be enhanced by the fact that the Esquimalt School Board has decided to submit a referendum to the voters on the question of whether or not they wish the subjects of domestic science and manual training continued at the Esquimalt Street School. There will be two vacancies on the Board next month, caused through the expiration of the two-year terms of Trustees S. H. Sloan and Parkinson. The latter has stated that he would not seek re-election, but it is thought Chairman Sloan will stand again.

Police Commissioner Sidney R. Bowen retires this year from the Police Commission, after completing two two-year terms on that body. He has been urged to seek re-election, but has made no announcement as to his course in this respect yet.

The formation and operation of a ratepayers' organization in Esquimalt will undoubtedly be the basis of stimulating greater interest than ever in the municipal contests in January. This body, known as the Esquimalt Municipal Voters' Association, presided over by Father Silver, has already taken a keen interest in the affairs of the municipality, and has passed a number of resolutions on matters in which the ratepayers are concerned.

No Candidates Yet

Oak Bay will have new reeves in 1925, as a result of Reeve Harold F. Hewlett's decision not to seek a third term as head of Oak Bay. Reeve Hewlett has been chief magistrate of that municipality for the past two years, being elected to office each time by acclamation. While the names of several possible candidates have been heard of, no one had yet come forward and expressed a willingness to enter the field.

All members of the Oak Bay Council, it is understood, will seek re-election. Police Commissioner William BaracloUGH's two-year term on the police board expires this year. School Trustee P. F. Curtis, chairman of the Board, and R. W. Hilbertson, complete their two-year terms in January, and there will thus be two vacancies on the School Board to be filled.

The Resident Ratepayers of Oak Bay Association, which succeeded in electing a slate of candidates for the Council at the last election, who stood on a single-tax platform, and also its three candidates for the School Board, may take part in the Oak Bay elections next month.

Watching Course of Events

To take no action at present, but to watch the course of events, is the present policy of the above-named organization. The executive council of this body has deferred its decision as to whether it will enter a slate of candidates for the various offices until a committee has been held. This will likely be held on Thursday evening next, December 18. A public meeting will take place in January. There is a strong possibility that the organization will not run a ticket next month, but this is contingent upon the candidates who offer themselves for election, and whether the members of the Oak Bay Ratepayers' Association can support them.

Some criticism of the reverted lands deal in Oak Bay has been heard of in the municipality, and a number of ratepayers feel that it should be put to the people in a referendum before the Oak Bay Council signs an agreement with the Oak Bay Municipal Lands, Limited. This land project may be a subject of comment by candidates and ratepayers during the course of the election campaign in Oak Bay next month.

Letters to the Editor

No letter to the editor will be received except over the proper signature and address of the writer. This rule admits of no exceptions.

The Malahat

Sir.—Discussion of the estimates for the maintenance and repair of public roads in this House on Monday elicited the information that the Malahat Drive is to be closed all Winter in order that it will be in good condition for the summer season. I ask, What of the local residents and who pays the taxes and automobile licences into the Provincial Treasury? One would think that the very existence of this Province depended on the much over-rated tourist.

I for one refuse to be coerced into contributing to Government assets.

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Will do real sewing, too. A delight to little girls; stands 7 inches high, made of steel, complete with spool of thread, all ready to go.
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Regular \$1.50, at 98c
These are mounted on wheels, made of real white wool, and perfectly finished; 9 inches high.
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One of the cutest ideas you have seen; doggie dances on his hind legs, holding a cane in his mouth; 7 inches high.

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33 Inches wide, a lovely fine evenly woven pure silk that will wear well.

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Vancouver Merchant Dead

VANCOUVER, Dec. 13.—Lewis M. Disther, 87, one of the best known business men in the city and father of L. M. Disther, managing director of the Diether Coal Co., died this morning at the age of seventy-four.

Beer Raid at San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—Federal dry agents today raided a ramshackle factory building on Spear Street and seized nearly 25,000 pint bottles of beer, said to have an approximate strength of five per cent.

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Prince Completes Task Begun Centuries Ago

Cuts With Golden Scissors the Tape Reopening Great Highway From Dover to London, Once a Roman Trail—Claude Duval Film Arouses Interest—King James' Almshouse and What It Is Doing Now to Relieve Distress

By PANTON HOUSE
For The Canadian Press

LONDON.—Eighteen hundred years ago or more, the Romans blazed a trail from Dover to London. On November 19 the Prince of Wales marked the fulfilment of the task which was then begun, bearing witness to the wonderful continuity of British history, by cutting with golden scissors the tape, and re-opening the great highway. "The ceremony," said the Prince, "marks the completion of the task bequeathed to us more than 1600 years ago by the Romans. They were the pioneers who blazed the long trail known as Watling Street through the dense woods and over steep hills to join Dover and London."

A Roman "highway" used in distinction to "road" is generally restricted to ways which pass through cities, towns and villages. Watling Street was steep and narrow, but it must have served for many centuries as a

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Blackheath, the other side of London, is the scene of another coach hold-up, where Claude is said to have threatened to shoot one of his associates if he did not at once return to its owner a silver feeding-bottle, which had been taken from a yelling infant passenger.

He was taken and tried at the Old Bailey in 1670, found guilty on six counts, and put into Newgate Prison. Here he was roused one morning by the bell of St. Sepulchre's opposite, which was provided by one Robert Dowe, who died in 1605 leaving fifty pounds for a bell, together with a fee for the sexton, for the purpose of warning every criminal in Newgate under sentence of death, of his approaching doom so that he might have time to repent of his sins.

The condemned was taken in procession to Tyburn Tree—near the Marble Arch—where he was hanged; a stone in the road now marks the spot where the gallows stood. On the way to Tyburn the procession would make two halts. The first was at St. Sepulchre's, where the victim was presented with a pint of mead and nogg of flowers. The second was at a tavern, the landlord of which claimed the "privilege" of offering refreshment to every criminal who passed his door on the way to the gallows.

The Curfew. King James in 1611 founded the hospital of King James in Charterhouse as an "almshouse" for the eighty poor brethren and a school for forty boys. Owing to a decline in the revenue the number is now reduced to fifty-six.

Each penitence is provided with a room, dinner "in Hall," a black gown to wear within the precincts and \$52 a year. Here they live in peace, in the very heart of the city's turmoil, a brotherhood of bachelors or widowers all over the age of sixty.

At 6 o'clock in winter, and nine o'clock in summer a curfew bell is rung and probably has been rung, with one short break, since the foundation of the house. The custom is to ring the bell once for every "brother" of the little flock, so if you listen some day when you visit London you will hear the strokes of the bell telling you if there is a vacancy should they not sound the full number, that is, bar accidents, for not long ago the bell-ringer caught cold, sneezing so violently that he fell from his perch, eighty strokes and causing much consternation among the old boys, who thought their privileges were being tampered with.

The bell is no longer rung as a signal to put lights out, which was the purpose of the curfew bell of old, but to indicate closing time.

NEW TOTALISATOR BEING EXHIBITED

Effort Will Be Made to Have System Introduced at All the Race Meets in Canada

The public has an opportunity now of viewing the Premier totalisator which is exhibited for the first time in Canada. It has been at work at 650 Johnson Street, just off Douglas Street, for the next ten days. A fifteen-minute motion picture reel which was shown to Senator Haydon, the Hon. Mr. McGovern and others of Premier King's party while they visited Victoria lately, will also be on view at the Columbia Theatre.

The pari-mutuel system of calculating the odds against each horse and every horse to win a race permits of no alteration in method or in any detail whatsoever. There is one pari-mutuel method and that calls for the compilation of the odds by the public speculators and for the actual and immediate open display of all amounts bet in a manner by which the exact odds against any horse at any time of the betting can be readily seen by the public.

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This totalisator system is now coming to be recognized as the only fair, reliable and satisfactory means of dealing with the speculation which necessarily accompanies racing. One great recommendation of this system is that those machines operated only on the race track, public confidence in their fairness increases wherever they are installed, and with their use it becomes a very simple matter to collect all government and other dividends from amounts wagered.

No genuine pari-mutuel or totalisator machine has yet been introduced and used in Canada. The system was introduced in 1904 in a small country meeting in Millerville, Alberta, where it is still carried on, the system being carried out with boards and chalk figuring, every sum being recorded as soon as handed to the operators. But the absolute fairness of the method is being demonstrated by the machine which appeals to the true spirit of the sportman. It accomplishes marvels of calculation which are almost beyond conception. It gives in a flash additions which ordinarily would take many minutes. The selling clerk, which in Australia is a young lady, by pressing a tiny button prints and releases the tickets, which acknowledge the transaction by the same simple action which registers it.

Investors can tell at a glance what dividend any horse is likely to pay. Two minutes after a race the dividends are posted in full view. The precautions against fraud are absolute. This machine can be locked and unlocked by a lever at the judge's hand at a moment's notice. The tickets are printed by the ticket issuer from a sheet of blank paper, the issuing machine being previously supplied with the necessary secret code stamps and locked by the totalisator manager.

The whole machine is automatic in operation, being controlled entirely by the issue of tickets, there being no human element between the issue and the recording. At Sydney, Australia, a machine has been shown to record bets up to 250,000 in one minute.

The Premier totalisator is installed and giving great satisfaction in Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, India, Ceylon, South Africa and the West Indies. It is the intention of those in charge of the totalisator to exhibit its working qualities at Ottawa with a view to its adoption in this country, and already orders have been given for those sections to be shipped to Shanghai for approval by the jockey club there.

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SPENCER'S GIVE BIG CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

Hundreds of Children Delight in Pictorial Performance at Royal Victoria Theatre Yesterday

Yesterday was most certainly Children's Day in Victoria. The shops were thronged with happy little kiddies, ranging from the baby-carriage months to school age, but nowhere was there a happier or more delighted crowd than at the Royal Victoria Theatre, where the firm of David Spencer's, Ltd., held a Christmas Pantomime for the pleasure of the little folk, who were cordially invited to attend as guests of the big departmental store. Two performances took place, at 2:30 and again at 4:30, and for each show the large building was filled to capacity with an audience thoroughly appreciative and spontaneous in its exclamations of delight as only children can be.

Among the children who were present were the little folk from the Protestant Orphans' Home, who had been conveyed to the theatre as special guests of David Spencer's in a tallyho, and personally conducted by no less a person than Santa Claus.

That the children more than appreciated the show given in their honor was evidenced from the raising of the curtain, when prolonged cheers greeted the actors on the stage, and the children perched in the huge Christmas tree which centred the stage, and raised its lofty head to a distance of 60 feet. Every child's dream of a Christmas tree was exemplified in the wonderful tree, which surpassed all description, and will ever remain in the memory of the little guests yesterday as a perfect Christmas tree.

For the pantomime there was included all those charming personages who only appear at Yuletide, and then only for a real honest-to-goodness pantomime. There was the beautiful Fairy, played by Mrs. Allwood, well known as one of the leading actresses of "Reginald, Hineke's" company, and there was the very demonaical Demon in the person of Mr. Stewart Clark. Mrs. Bellby added much to the success of the play as the Stork. Santa Claus was portrayed by Mr. Smythe (Spencer's), of the Arlon Club, and a member of the Victoria Chess Club.

Pretty little Marjory was the part taken by Miss Marjory Spencer, a bright juvenile actress of the B.C. Dramatic League, the role of Roger was sustained by Mr. Donald Stewart, another child actor who has appeared before with distinction. The happy possessor of a powerful and sweet soprano voice, Miss Merle North was particularly bewitching as the Fairy Messenger.

Picture Book Friends. There then was an array of picture book friends, including Jack and Jill, played by Bunty Clark and Jack Laver, and Bo Peep, by Gladys Bayley, while little Jack Horner was interpreted by Audrey Bennett Thompson. Where Are You Going to, My Pretty Maid, was delightfully presented by Wanda Spencer and Eva Tingley, while George Fargie was the part taken by Grant Stewart, while Miss Muffet was present in the person of Barbara Pollard.

In addition to the cast there were some wonderful dances, when Mr. J. MacFarlane's clever troupe of Highland dancers gave some real and very clever Highland dancing, and the little ladies of the Victoria Harp, principal of St. Margaret's School, a number of her pupils, beautifully trained by Miss Cussans, gave some very graceful dances. They wore lovely costumes specially designed for the occasion by Miss Cussans.

Very charming and graceful was the minuet performed by Miss Lillian, assisted by a number of her friends, in beautiful old-world gowns, designed by Miss Michaele, who made such a success of the mah jong dance, invented by herself for Peter Pan's pantomime last year. Shrieks of delight and unexpressed laughter greeted the antics of the "donkey," and the famous donkey dance proved one of the most popular items on the programme. Miss Wanda Spencer appeared as the standard-bearer of the rather energetic donkey in question.

BOY SCOUTS IN B.C. DECREASE IN YEAR

Suggestions for Next Twelve Months Made by Acting Provincial Commissioner in Annual Report

Scouts in British Columbia have decreased in numbers during the year 1923-24, says Mr. R. Ross Sutherland, acting provincial commissioner, in his annual report to the provincial headquarters of the Boy Scouts' Association. This has been chiefly due to the loss of families and scoutmasters, etc., and to unfavorable employment conditions.

"During the period under review," says Mr. Sutherland's report, "six centres have ceased to exist as active scouting points, but ten new centres



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A coat that will appeal to the modern miss, with its jaunty lines and soft, warm, snow-white fur. It is one of the Sale's most desirable values at \$100

Handsome Mink Cape

Beyond a doubt, this mink cape is one of the handsomest fur garments shown in Victoria in recent years. It was conservatively priced at \$1,200, and we are accepting a considerable loss in marking it at \$900

Animal Ties and Chokers

Fox Animal Style Scarves, offering a choice of white, brown, beige or platinum fox. Regular \$95.00.	\$70.00
Cross Fox Scarves. Regular \$125.00.	\$80.00
Silver Fox Scarves. Regular \$300.00.	\$200.00
Mink Chokers. Sale values	\$12.00
Stone Marten Ties. Sale values	\$32.50
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have come into operation, and, in addition, three troops which had temporarily become dormant are once again at work.

"During the year 1922-23 a total of 1,662 scout proficiency badges and 615 wolf cub proficiency badges were issued; during 1923-24, 1,151 proficiency badges were gained by scouts and 295 by wolf cubs.

This shows a decided drop in the number of such badges, but this is doubtless a natural outcome of the tightening up of the tests, and a realization gained through Gilwell training that the standard of tenderfoot and second-class work has not in past years been retained at as high a level as is now desired.

"I am of the opinion that during the holding of at least one or two training camps in the interior, I recommend also that, for next year, no recognized Gilwell training camp be held in B.C., but that the suggested training camps for the interior be modelled upon the lines of the district camp held at Qualicum Beach last summer, Gilwell graduates being sent to render all help possible.

"Though we must endeavor to prevent any diminution in the numbers of our scouts and cubs, and must continue to assist in every way possible any centres which desire to form new troops or packs, I consider that our policy for 1925 should be one of consolidation of our present troops and packs, and the passing on to them by practical illustration of the latest approved methods of scouting."

MOOSEHEART LEGION

Victoria Chapter, No. 25, Woman of Mooseheart Legion, held a very successful bazaar and sale of work in the Harmony Hall on Tuesday. The hall was very prettily decorated, with the various stalls in the colors of the Order. In the absence of Mayor Hayward, who was prevented at the last moment from opening the bazaar, Past Senior Beget Legionaire Oliver, in a neat little speech, declared the affair open and wished it every success. Little Margorie Wilson then presented the Past Senior Beget with a beautiful bouquet of flowers. During the afternoon, character

reading was very much enjoyed and was undertaken by Legionaire Beare. Tea cup reading was given by Mrs. Youson.

The Mooseheart cake was won by Legionaire White (No. 38). The candy basket was won by Legionaire Robinson (No. 36). Following is the list of various committees: General convener, Legionaire Hatcher; fancy work, Legionaire Williams; Elmsire; plain work, Legionaire Wilson; Elmsire; Merrifield; home cooking, Legionaire Shaw; Morry; bran tub, Legionaire Burnett; afternoon tea, Legionaire Taylor, Osborne, Shaw, Farnell, Willoughby and Miss Willie.

A vote of thanks was given to all those who gave their services and donations.

B.C. Electric Social Club—The B.C. Electric Social Club will hold its next dance on Wednesday, December 17, at the Caledonia Hall. Ours' orchestra will provide the music. Dancing will take place from 8:30 to 11:30. Refreshments will be served during the evening.



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General McRae Denies Pattullo Allegations

New Legislation Benefits Provincial Leader's Interests Instead of Harming Them, Claims Third Party Chieftain—Company Would Willingly Turn in Crown Granted Lands and Resume Business on British Columbia Licences—Bill Is Criticized

CLAIMS to the contrary notwithstanding, instead of suffering, his company will benefit from the new timber royalty regulations proposed by the British Columbia Government, General McRae declares in a statement issued in reply to the criticism of the Provincial leader by Hon. Mr. Pattullo, Minister of Lands.

"The reader might well think, from the Government's reply to my open letter to Mr. Oliver, directing his attention to the enormity of the deal which was being put over by the timber operators, that the issue is McRae vs. the Province of British Columbia," says General McRae. As a matter of fact, what this matter means to me does not make any difference, but what it means to the

people of British Columbia counts a great deal.

"To set at rest the rumors which my lumber friends have so assiduously circulated, and which Mr. Pattullo and others have publicly repeated, let me say that the company in which I am interested holds neither crown granted nor Provincial timber licences in the Interior. Its holdings there are all Dominion leased timber, purchased at public auction, subject to Dominion regulations and pays a royalty to the Dominion Government. This statement should eliminate such timber from this Provincial controversy.

B. C. Licences Held

"Now as regards its holdings on the Coast, about 40% of the acreage of standing timber held by the company (roughly 35,000 acres) is Provincial timber licence, and has cost a large sum of money. It would be greatly benefited by the pending legislation.

"As to the crown granted holdings of this company, they were bought to supply the mills and are not for sale. They are operated extensively at the present time. What crown granted timber is worth, or what Provincial licence timber may be worth does not make any difference to this company's operations. The value of the timber it produces is regulated by world's markets and not by local stumpage prices, and its profit comes in selling lumber, not speculating in timber licences.

"If further answer is necessary to the charge that crown granted timber manufacturers will profit by an advance in the price of Provincial stumpage, let me remind the Minister of Lands, as he well knows, that crown granted timber holders (including the representative of the company in which I am interested) have appeared before him in support of this legislation, and will he say why, if his statement as to the benefit accruing to crown granted timber by an advance in Provincial stumpage is correct, that I alone of all those interested in crown granted timber in this Province have raised my voice against unwarranted timber bill of his?"

Says Province Suffers

"For the sake of argument let us suppose that Mr. Pattullo's statement was correct, and that the company I am interested in would make seven million dollars by the advance of \$1 per 1,000 in Provincial stumpage. How much would the Province of British Columbia make? That is the real question. On the timber now under licence (estimated at one hundred and twenty billion feet) it means an increased value to the Province of millions and millions of dollars. Private or crown granted timber holders bought and paid for their land and timber and own it. They pay taxes on it just the same as other real estate, carry the risk of loss by fire, etc.

"Timber under Provincial licence is owned by the people of the Province—the Province carries all the risk. The holder of the licence pays only a rental (in reality an option which he can drop any day), a sum on Mr. Pattullo's own figures 50% less per acre than the average annual rental tax on crown granted timber lands. Owning the property just the same as the crown granted holder, why should the people of the Province not profit by the advance in the price of their timber, just the same as Mr. Pattullo says the crown granted timber holder would? Now if the crown granted timber holder can operate at higher prices, so can the manufacturer of Provincial timber. The Province needs the revenue—why should they not get it?"

Look Him Up

"What would you think of a private timber owner who today would make a contract to sell his timber at the price per thousand feet which prevailed during the last five years? Who would agree to take this fixed price per thousand without interest any time during the next five years as the timber was removed? Who would agree to carry all the risk of loss by fire, etc., to himself? And who would still further agree that the buyer could drop the contract any day he saw fit? Why, his family would quite properly have a guardian appointed for him. And yet, that is practically what the Government propose to do with the timber belonging to the Province.

"The Minister of Land's suggestion of forcing a royalty on timber land held in fee simple, by subjecting it to a confiscatory tax by way of an alternative, is on a par with the Dolly Varden and other things of the British legislation for which his Government has become famous. Such legislation would endanger in the

hands of the three thousand British shareholders who control the company in which I am heavily interested a feeling of hostility to British Columbia investments, not unlike the discord which arose over the unfortunate Grand Trunk affair.

"Surely a man who invested his money in land with timber on it and gets his title in fee simple is in the same position as the man who buys a lot with a ten-storey building on it. He is entitled to what profit he can legitimately make off his investment. The Government has no more interest in crown granted timber land than it would have in a Point Grey lot which it sold to a home-seeker and gave title to.

Answers Mr. Manson

"Mr. Manson (McKenzie) asks, 'Would I be willing to put my company's timber within the scope of the new regulation?' While I have not been an executive officer of the company for ten years, having resigned all connections when I went overseas, yet as one of the three or four large shareholders in the company, I do not hesitate to say that if the Government will return us the money paid for crown granted timber and forest on same (overlooking entirely the question of taxes), thus putting it on a par with the Provincial licence holder, the company would be delighted to turn all its crown granted timber over to the Province and take out Provincial licences on Mr. Pattullo's ten-year arrangement.

"With interest this crown granted timber stands nearly \$2 a thousand. Mr. Pattullo's royalty plan would give it back to us the next five years at about \$1.10 per thousand and for the five years beginning with 1930 for about \$1.35 per thousand on the average. What a snap for anybody!"

"The question is, what is a fair deal for the Province? That is the only thing to be considered. Believe all they say about me if you like; credit me with motives as you wish to, but the fact remains that it is the people's property that is being sacrificed under this infamous bill which is before the Legislature.

"Owing to the stand I took before the public before the last election, I felt I had an obligation to fulfill and that it was up to me, interested as I am in timber, to speak to the people just what this legislation meant. In doing this I have differed not only with the company in which I am interested, but I have differed with many of my former business associates, which has not been pleasant. I feel now that my obligation in this respect has been discharged.

"It is up to the people of the Province to protect their own property if they wish to now that they know the facts."

RICH STRIKE ON SALMON RIVER

BIG RETURNS FROM ASSAY OF PORTLAND CANAL ORE

Eight Hundred Ounces of Silver Per Ton Secured by Owners of Property in District

The Portland Canal News, in a recent issue, has the following with reference to the latest discovery at the headwaters of the Salmon River:

"Excellent results were obtained on the Troy group this season by the owners, Niel McDonald and Chas. Lake, the former residing in the News that had they had a little more time, and had the trail been a little better, they would have shipped some ore; but, he added, they are going to ship some next Summer anyway."

"The Troy group consists of nine claims, located about one mile north-east of the Forty Nine and twenty-one miles from salt water. The work thus far done has been confined principally to a well defined vein that crops along the course of a small creek, on the contact between a greenstone footwall and a slate hanging wall. The trail to the Tide Lake country follows up this creek and along the vein.

800 Ounces Per Ton

"Numerous open cuts from five to ten feet in depth have defined this vein for a distance of at least 4,000 feet and have made ore exposures some of which may be classed as sensational. For instance, a sample taken last Summer from one of the cuts gave returns when assayed of over 800 ounces of silver per ton. A careful sampling across the vein, in a cut dug this Summer, gave an average of \$188.60 per ton, nearly all in silver. The vein is from fifteen to thirty feet wide, and the 'pay streak' from two to five feet wide, so far as opened up. An average assay across two and a half feet in a cut 2,500 feet distant from the one mentioned above, gave \$95.30 per ton.

"Some work was done on a parallel vein, a true fissure in the slate, an eight-foot cut being made, and an assay taken across six feet of this gave \$63 in silver and lead. A third vein, some distance to the east, has been traced for a considerable distance. Not much has been done on this, though the outcrops are most favorable in appearance.

"A series of narrow dykes, running parallel with the vein, appears to have had an important bearing on their formation and the ore deposition."

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Favorite Hymns and Their Writers

By REV. ARCHER WALLACE

"THAT SWEET STORY OF OLD"

Perhaps one reason why this hymn is so popular, and is found in so many hymn books, is because it is based on the incident in Christ's life when mothers of Salem brought their little ones to Him to be blessed. The author was at Coleridge Terrace, near London, in 1812. From a child she was deeply interested in religious work, and especially in efforts to help children. While riding in a stage coach after a visit to a mission school for poor children, Mrs. Luke or, as she was at that time, Miss Thompson, wrote the famous hymn. After this she wrote a good many other hymns, none of which became very well known. She lived to be ninety-two years of age and she continued to receive appreciative messages about the hymn, "That Sweet Story of Old," all her life.

For some time she was the editor of The Missionary Repository, the first missionary magazine to be published for children. Such great missionaries as David Livingstone and Robert Moffat wrote for this publication. She was exceedingly anxious to go to India as a missionary, and had been accepted by the mission board. Before the appointed day of departure her health broke down, and very reluctantly she was forced to abandon the idea. In 1844 she married Rev. Samuel Luke, of Bristol, and for twenty-five years, until his death, she was a great help to him in his work.

Mrs. Luke was a woman of beautiful character. She was extremely modest, and whenever people heaped praise upon her for her hymns, she always said that she was overpraised. When she was nearly ninety years of age she wrote for the publication of the World Convention of Christian Endeavorers a new setting composed by Rev. Carrie Bonner. Mrs.

Luke was unable to be present, but she sent a letter to the children which was read to them.

Again, when the Christian Endeavorers met in Baltimore, Mrs. Luke's hymn was given a prominent place, and she sent a message of greeting intended for the younger members of the great assembly, which was much appreciated. Part of the message, as given by Amos R. Wells, is: "Dear children, you will be men and women soon, and it is for you and the children of England to carry the message of our Savior's love to every nation of this sin-strewn world. It is a blessed message to carry, and it is happy work to do. The Lord make you ever faithful to Him, and unquenchably happy in His service. I came to Him at ten years of age, and at ninety-two can testify to His faithfulness."

It need hardly be said that Mrs. Luke was a great lover of children. Her life was devoted to them. When as a young woman falling illness made it impossible for her to go to India as a missionary, the disappointment was very great; but she rejoiced up to the day of her death that she had been able to write a hymn which children everywhere

loved. There had been some criticism of the hymn from a poetic standpoint, but whatever defects it may have as poetry, few will doubt that it has served to awaken and deepen religious feeling in the hearts of thousands of young people.

MASQUERADE DANCE

The Queen Alexandra Review, No. 11, V.B.A., held a very jolly masquerade dance in the K. of P. Hall on Thursday evening, a large company dancing to the music of Charlie Hunt's orchestra. Mr. and Mrs. Levy and Mr. and Mrs. McAllister were the judges for the costumes, and it was no easy task to choose from such a splendid array. The following ladies and gentlemen were adjudged to be the best: Fancy dress, Mrs. Yates, Turkish lady; Mr. J. Schmeis, mandarin; comic lady, Mrs. Schmeis and her "son" Mrs. Winters; gentlemen, Mr. E. J. Keller, clown; advertising lady, Mrs. Maxwell, Rev. The following ladies and gentlemen received special prizes: Mrs. Latham, Queen Victoria; Miss McAllister, Prince Charming; Mr. Ray Jones, Farmer

Hayseed; Miss Reid, question mark; Mrs. Dinsley, Joan of Arc. One prize was open to everybody, and it was won by Mr. N. Harris, Commander Mrs. Bloor presented the prizes, and the lady judges were each presented with a corsage bouquet. A white clown, whose identity remained unknown, caused lots of fun. He, unfortunately, came too late to be judged for a prize. Delicious refreshments were served by the committee, to whom great credit is due for the successful evening. Dancing was continued until midnight, when the National Anthem concluded one of the most enjoyable dances of the season.



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NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

Football Semi-Final Remains Uncompleted

United Services and Veterans Score One Goal All in Combination Cup Round With No Overtime Played—Wests Are Eliminated by Esquimalt by Two Goals to One After Hard Game at Beacon Hill

YESTERDAY'S soccer games here being the semi-finals for the Combination Cup, were of real cup-tie class, and the scoring was low, only five goals being recorded for the two. The Esquimalt eleven wrote fine on the career of the Victoria Wests in the fight for possession of this trophy when they handed the Greenshirts a defeat by two goals to one at Beacon Hill, and the United Services and the Veterans fought the full ninety minutes to a one-all draw at the Royal Athletic Park before a large crowd of interested spectators.

Brilliant in spots
This latter game was one in which each team showed up brilliantly in spots, but the usual brand of soccer that is expected for such an important contest was conspicuous by its absence. The Services men seemed a different team from that which handed the Sons of England an 8-2 defeat only two weeks ago, while their opponents, the Veterans, showed up remarkably well. At the conclusion of the first half the score sheet was clean, although it must be said that the net custodians were great factors in keeping the net free from intrusion. Fifteen minutes of play elapsed in the second half before the Veterans found the net, when Southern booted Clarkson's pass past Zanelli, the Services' goalie, for the first score of the game. Coulter put the teams on even terms about ten minutes later, when he booted a hot one past Bridges for the goal that tied the score, and concluded the scoring for the game.

The heavy wind which blew throughout the game was a great hindrance to the players, and what might have been a good game was spoiled by the adverse weather conditions. Kicking uphill in the first half, the Redshirts had the wind in their favor, and they were on the offensive quite often. Their opponents would break away occasionally, and seemed dangerous, but Bridges, the Vets' goalie, looked after all that came his way.

Good Goalkeeping
Zanelli, the Services' net custodian, did some useful work in the first half of the game in particular. Under pressure of attack by the Veterans, the Services' defence was kept busy, and Zanelli saved shots of all descriptions amidst the applause of the spectators. The Veterans' forwards worked hard for a goal in this half. At the start of the second half the Vets took the offensive during which no less than five corners were forced in succession. Finally their efforts were rewarded when Southern booted Clarkson's centre into the net from close range. This score on the part of the Redshirts seemed to put new "pep" into the Services men, and from the kickoff they forced the play to their opponents' end of the field, and gave the Vets' defence plenty of work to do. Ten minutes

remained to be played when Coulter evened things up by beating Bridges with a hot shot. In the last few minutes of the game these teams fought might and main in an endeavor to chalk up the goal that would give them the victory and the right to enter the Cup finals, but time would not permit. The final whistle sounded with the result a draw, as no overtime was played. Ockwell refereed, and the teams were:

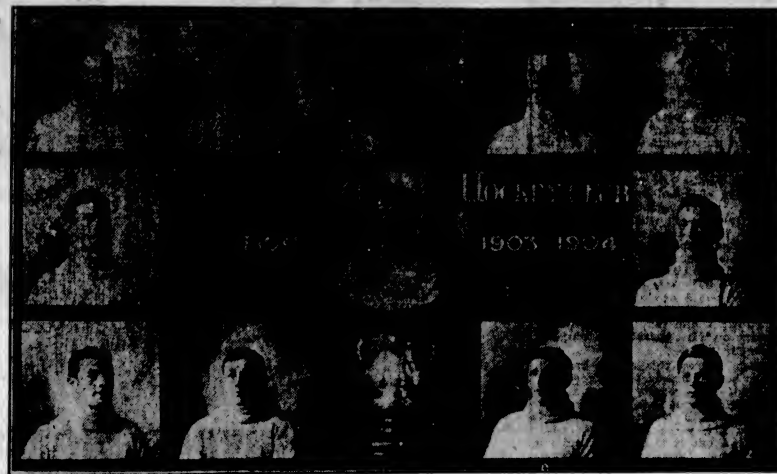
United Services—Zanelli; Grimes and Allen; Hawks, Wylie and Sargent; Cummings, Armstrong, Coulter, Ward and Coulter.

Veterans—Bridges; Campbell and Davidson; Brown, Preston and Roe; Petch, Small, Southern, Merryfield and Clarkson.

Windy at Beacon Hill
With a strong wind sweeping the length of the field at Beacon Hill, which interfered materially with the playing of the teams, the Esquimalt soccer team defeated the Victoria Wests by a score of two to one. The scoring by the winning team was made as the result of a very vigorous aggressive action towards the end of the game.

During the first half of the game a steady wind blew off the Straits, and with this in favor of the Esquimalts, the play was largely in the direction of the Wests' goal. The splendid judgment of Shandley between the posts, however, averted any scoring. Half-time was reached with no score by either side. In the second half the wind dropped a little, coming in gusts rather than as a steady breeze, which allowed a little chance to be given in combination play on the part of the players. The scoring started with a penalty kick which was awarded the Wests, and which was made to tally by Muir. The play continued somewhat evenly for some time following this, until towards the middle of the second half, when the Esquimalts became very aggressive, and from that time on kept up a very lively onslaught on their opponents' goal.

Grass Hockey Champions of a Former Day



The team pictured above, which played during the year of 1903-04, was reputed to be one of the strongest that has ever represented Victoria in this line of sport. Their record for the season is a hard one to beat. Playing in the City League, they won every game and in the Provincial championship gave their opponents a trimming that left no doubt as to which was the premier grass hockey team of the Province. In the picture readers will recognize several well known business and professional men of today. Top row, from left to right—R. J. Tye, Benjie Schwenger and Herb Gillespie. Middle row—A. Maclean, the late Kenneth Schofield (captain) and John Hart. Bottom row—W. York, Ken Gillespie, L. S. V. York and C. Maclean.

In a determined rush upon the goal, Tom Watt scored for the Esquimalts, and a little later his brother, John Watt, repeated the operation, which concluded the scoring for the game.

The game was refereed by Payne. The teams lined up as follows: Victoria Wests—Shandley; Whyte and Copas; Baker, Thomas and Peden; Sherratt, Mulcahy, Youson, Muir and Popham.

Esquimalt—Bennett; Watt, Stesher, Hooper, Edwards, DeCosta, Stewart, John Watt, Tom Watt, Warren and Bendall.

Foul Bay Athletics' Meeting on Monday
All members of the Foul Bay Athletic Association are asked to attend a meeting at the president's residence, 244 Mills Road, on Monday when important business will be attended to.

Lombardo is Out
NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Louis Kaplan, of Meriden, Conn., knocked out Joe Lombardo, of Panama, in the fourth round of a scheduled twelve-round bout at Madison Square Garden last night.

Marx Cabinet Resigns Monday
BERLIN, Dec. 13.—Chancellor Marx, at a meeting with Socialist leaders this evening announced that the cabinet would resign Monday.

BAYS AND NORMAL FIGHT TO DRAW

THREE GOOD GAMES STAGED IN INTERMEDIATE RUGBY

Wanderers Win From Services by 12 to Nil—Brentwood Victorious Over Victoria College, 11-0

Three hard games were fought in the Intermediate Rugby League yesterday afternoon. At the Oak Bay Park J.B.A.A. and Normal School engaged in a spirited battle, which resulted in a three-all draw. In the Oak Bay Wanderers-United Services game, at the Canteen grounds, the Wanderers continued their winning streak by taking the count of the Services by a score of 12 to nil; while at Brentwood the Brentwood College fifteen were victorious over Victoria College by a score of 11 to nil. In all cases the games were played on grounds that were not in the best of condition for rugby, but some sterling play featured all.

The J.B.A.A.-Normal School fight at Oak Bay saw two teams of about equal calibre stacked up against one another. Each team had a try in the first half, neither of which was converted. This was the only scoring of the game.

Play opened with the Bays on the offensive several times they forced the students back on their line, but the defensive work of the school was sound and no score was registered. Decision opened the scoring about half-way through the period, when a forward dribble on the part of the school team brought play close to the Bays' line. Picking the ball out of a loose scrum, the star three-quarter of the normal team dodged his way through the Bays' line and scored near the touchline. Waugh made a good attempt at the kick, but the ball was heavy and fell short.

From the free-off the Bays began another onslaught on the students' line, and for some time forced play around the school line. Puller, the stalwart forward of the Bays, evaded the score after dribbling the ball over the line. Goodacre failed to convert.

Mostly Forward Play
Play in the second half was mostly with the forwards, although both teams put over some spectacular three-quarter rinks. At the beginning the Normal students went on the attack and twice they pushed the Bays over, which resulted in twenty-five-yard line kicks. Walls and McKinnon made some good attempts to get over, but the lackluster play of the Bays held and the game closed with one try each. The teams were as follows:

J.B.A.A.—Goodacre; Kenny, Underwood, Campbell, Maclean; Walls, Clarke, O'Neill; Raybone, Buller, Cruikshank, Bakett, Henderson, Locke and Dawson.

Normal School—Campbell; Dickson, Pritchett, Huxtable, Waugh; Martin, Houtley, Brown, Martello, Gagnon, Thomas, Cameron, Horne, Tervo and Wilson.

In the Oak Bay Wanderers-United Services game at the Canteen grounds, the Wanderers had things pretty much their own way. The Services, handicapped from the start by having only thirteen men in the field, were forced to play a defensive game, and the first period ended 9 to nil in favor of the Wanderers. Officer scoring twice and Johnson adding the third.

At half-time the Services team was brought to full strength, and they made things more interesting for their opponents. From the kick-off they began an attack on the Wanderers' line, and for some time forced play in their twenty-five. Beck, who played the first half as a forward, relieved with a fine dribble and sent his team on the attack. Officer added his third try of the match and the final one, when he scored about half-way through the period after a splendid forward rush. Campbell Sanoon refereed and the teams were as follows:

Oak Bay Wanderers—Adamsen; Grubb, Johnston, Oliver, Carey; R. Weenman, Smith; Forbes, Officer, Beck, Bowker, Macmurchie, Hicks, Noel and G. Weenman.

United Services—Donaldson; Stage, Grant, Taylor, Orr, Esley, Ewell; Carver, Mayne, Hall, Sears, Curtis, Addison, Barber and Peet.

FIDELIS GIRLS TURN THE TABLES

ADMINISTER OVERWHELMING DEFEAT ON CHRIST CHURCH

Basketball Game Between Senior girls' Teams Proves Disappointing—Teams Are Now Tied

The Fidelis senior girls, B. C. basketball champions, climbed up into a tie with Christ Church for the leadership of the Sunday School League last night by defeating the Cathedral girls 19 to 3 before a great crowd at the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium.

The game was rather disappointing as only a few weeks ago the Christ Church girls defeated the Fidelis and were given a fine chance for the championship.

Fidelis and Christ Church teams are now tied for first place, and should they be successful in winning all their other games, will meet again for the championship.

Fidelis—Beth Campbell (6), Isabel Crawford (11), J. McQueen (2), E. McQuinn, M. Breckenridge, V. McNaughton.

Christ Church—K. Wellburn (11), Lois Peacey, Florrie Gates (2), G. Wellburn, E. Elkington, Ethel Carr-Hilton.

Intermediate Girls
The speedy little Congregational team won a great game from the Harmony five, by 6 to 4.

Referee, "Bill" Erickson.
Congo—Jennie Smith (2), Ina Foubler (2), Tonya Ellis, Verna Foubler (1), Gladys Sayer.

Harmony—Gladys Lea (2), Phyllis Morley, Mary Williamson (2), Dot Lea, Gladys Hipe.

PRESENT CHAMPION TAKES SMALL LEAD
Barker Has Good Chance in Again Win Chess Championship of Victoria—Newcomer Shows Class

Incidentally, the present champion, and, incidentally, the champion of British Columbia, went into a slight lead in this week's play for the chess championship of Victoria City for 1925 by drawing his game with Bredin, who met him with a Bird's opening.

Attacking prematurely, he suffered the loss of a pawn, and had to struggle through the whole middle game under that handicap, his opponent being at all times dangerous. In the end, however, though still a pawn down, he drew by virtue of having a bishop of opposite color to that of Bredin. His score is now one and a half points.

The Rev. Price, a new-comer to Victoria chess circles, won his first game in the tournament, defeating Sanders, who already had a win to his credit. His future play will be watched with interest. Other games, owing to the absence of two of the competitors from town, have been postponed.

Cougars Are Defeated By Saskatoon Sheiks

Prairie Team, as Yet Unbeaten, Scores Four Goals to Victoria's One—Meeking Plays Fine Game for Losers and Nets Their Only Goal After Cougars Had Been Held Scoreless for Two Periods

ASKATOON, Dec. 13.—Saskatoon is yet unbeaten in the Western Canada Hockey League as the result of the 4-1 win over the Victoria Cougars here tonight. The Sheiks had the majority of the play, Victoria making their best showing in the first part of the third period, when they rained shots in on Hainsworth, but Meeking was the only one to beat him.

One goal came in the first period, two in the second and two in the third. Lalonde opened for Saskatoon, beating Holmes after circling the net. In the second, Bill Cook netted for Saskatoon, pulling practically the same play Lalonde had. Cook repeated 30 seconds after, taking a pass from Lalonde.

Meeking Scores
Meeking scored in four and a half minutes after the third opened, going down by himself and scoring from close in. This gave Victoria a lease of life, and for five minutes they made it hot for the Sheik custodian, Laurie Scott made Saskatoon's last, and the final goal of the game, when he took a pass from Cameron and netted.

Summary
First period—1, Saskatoon, Lalonde, 9:50.
Second period—2, Saskatoon, W. Cook, 14:35; 3, Saskatoon, W. Cook, from Lalonde, 18:30.

Third period—4, Victoria, Meeking, 4:35; 5, Saskatoon, Scott, from Cameron, 12:35.

Penalties
First period—Lalonde, Cameron, Meeking.
Second period—Fraser.
Third period—Loughlin.

Line-Up
Saskatoon: Hainsworth... Goal... Holmes... Defence... Loughlin, Stevens... Defence... Fraser... Lalonde... Forward... Fredrickson, W. Cook... Forward... Meeking, Scott... Forward... Hart, P. Cook... Forward... Walker, Hainsworth... Forward... Denny, Denny... Forward... Anderson.

Referee, Carl Battell.

Club Standings in Intermediate Rugby

TIJUANA RACING
TIJUANA, Dec. 13.—Following is a summary of results:
First race, five and a half furlongs—1, Supercity, 1:05 (Walls), \$25, \$15; 2, Miss Shaasta, 1:04 (Roberts), \$12, \$5; 3, Donita, 1:00 (Piccirillo), \$4, \$0.

Second race, five and a half furlongs—1, Old Crow, 1:04 (Fisher), \$22.50, \$5.80, \$2.80; 2, Wilfrude Wood, 1:00 (Hoagland), \$2.60, \$2.40; 3, Mountain Oaks, 1:04 (Schaeffer), \$5.80.

Third race, five and a half furlongs—1, Miss Caltha, 1:02 (Young), \$5.60, \$2.40, \$2.40; 2, Kirkwood, 1:12 (Baker), \$12.20, \$2.40; 3, Fernandez, 1:07 (Fredericks), \$4.80.

Fourth race, five and a half furlongs—1, Mabel Kripp, 1:12 (Smith), \$26, \$12, \$5; 2, Kenna, 1:07 (Ellis), \$4.50, \$5; 3, Willa Thoughta, 1:02 (Fredericks), \$3.80.

Fifth race, three-quarters mile—1, Irish Buzzer, 1:04 (Lee), \$23.60, \$12, \$4.60; 2, Odd Beth, 1:07 (Baker), \$5.40, \$2.40; 3, Barn Dollar, 1:11 (Hainsworth), \$2.60.

Sixth race, mile—1, Eminent, 94 (Hoagland), \$9.80, \$2, \$2.60; 2, Positron, 1:09 (Lee), \$2.40, \$2.30; 3, Cano, 1:04 (Hooper), \$2.40.

Seventh race, mile—1, Wondra Montgomery, 1:02 (Edwards), \$10, \$4.20, \$2.40; 2, Barrickane, 1:02 (Hooper), \$4.60, \$2.40; 3, Romulus, 1:07 (Roberts), \$2.80.

Eighth race, three-quarters mile—1, Recruit, 1:07 (Hoagland), \$5.80, \$4, \$4.60; 2, Noongilde, 1:16 (Walls), \$4, \$2.80; 3, Grayson, 1:07 (Ellis), \$4.20.

Overnight Entries
First race, five-eighths mile—Fitter, Belle, 49; Wes Girl, 56; Cadman, 95; Virginia Moore, 96; Quinn, 96; Vodka, 96; C. A. Comisky, 96; Lulu Black, 96; Lucky Hays, 97; Little Lass, 100; Norfolk Honey, 102; Good Hope, 102; Due de Guise, 102; Renee Fry, 102; No Wonder, 102; Arctic King, 105; Scamper, 100; Acquitted, 105.

Second race, three-quarters mile—Mildred Ruth, 95; Fandango, 95; Lady Marac, 101; Tooters, 101; Grey Rump, 101; Contribution, 102; Vindicator, 102; Big Indian, 98; Randolph, 103; Grayson, 102; Top of the Morning, 106; Mayor House, 108.

Third race, mile and seventy yards—Sen. Donlan, 91; Mad Nell, 99; Marine Corps, 99; Rolsterer, 99; Brian Kent, 103; Sample, 103; War Winner, 103; Poor Puss, 103; Yorkshire Maid, 80.

Fourth race, mile and a quarter—Louis, 91; Willow Tree, 95; Piedra, 98; Col. Lit, 103; Plunger, 102; Conate, 102; Della, 98; 108.

Fifth race, mile—Kelsora, 90; Tracer, 91; Royal Visitor, 94; Paula Shay, 101; Dr. Clark, 102; Firm Friend, 107; Runyan, 112.

Sixth race, five-eighths mile—Lady Fox, 94; Better Times, 95; Belle of Elisabethown, 94; Miss Fox 11, 100; Lord Allen, 101; Deputy, 100; Runclar, 104; Nayari, 103; Time Exposure, 122.

Seventh race, mile and one-sixth—Mam Vanno, 93; Tristram, 94; Dover, 98; Wynnewood, 92; June Fly, 99; The Falconer, 101; Thrush, 101.

Eighth race, four and a half furlongs—Dr. McArthur, 105; Phil McCloy, 109; Runaway, 111; Fort Churchill, 112; Al Hotfoot, 112; Frank S. 113; Wolfie Cry, 119.

Track clear and fast.

GROUND TOO WET FOR REAL RUGBY

TEST MATCH AT WILLOWS LOST MUCH OF VALUE

"A" Team Scored Eight Points to Three for "B" Team—Money and Johnson Score Tries

Weather conditions robbed the rugby match, arranged for yesterday at the Willows between "A" and "B" teams as a test for the rep team, of most of its value. The ground was in wretched condition, pools being conspicuous everywhere, so much so that the backs were more like a burlesque on water polo.

Added to this, both sides were short, and, as a member of the selection committee remarked, the whole affair was more like a burlesque on water polo. The "A" team played one back short and one forward short all through the game, and the backs were pitted against the pick of the forwards in order to get some practice in defence play, they certainly got it. The "B" forwards showed much promise. They were "on the ball" much more than in recent games, and they were much quicker in getting round the man with the ball on the lineouts. Donald was a fine leader, and played a great game right to the call of time, and Money was excellent in the loose, gaining two tries in the first half through speedy following up.

As already stated, the condition of the field was against back play, and the absence of Goodacre spoiled any chance there might have been of any real combination amongst the "A" team backs, though, on the few occasions when they did get the ball from the scrum they showed that good moves could be expected from the "A" team proper conditions.

Johnson played his usual cool game at fullback, moving up to the three in the second half as Johns was slightly crooked. Bendrodt and Johns were sound in defence, and Bendrodt did some beautiful work by negating his wing.

The "B" team scored two tries in the first half through Money. Porteous converting one. In the second half, J. Johnson scored for the "A" team following up an excellent but ineffectual drop at goal by Bendrodt, the result being "A's" 3 points; "B's" 3 points.

CULVER CITY RACE TAKES PLACE TODAY

Twice Postponed Event Will Decide National Championship of Motor Drivers

CULVER CITY, Cal., Dec. 13.—The 250-mile Culver City race, twice postponed and which is the final event of the 1924 American Automobile Association racing season, will be held here tomorrow afternoon with seventeen drivers competing.

Awarding of the national championship to the leading driver of the 1924 season will depend upon the classic Jimmy Murphy, racing driver, who was killed at Syracuse, N.Y., held the leadership of the country's pilot with 1,585 points. Earl Cooper, with 1,240 points, is the only driver with a chance to pass that record for the championship. A first place victory counts 500 points, would win the championship for Cooper.

The race will officially dedicate the one and one-quarter-mile speedway.

GOOD BASKETBALL EXPECTED MONDAY

Keen Competition in Three Men's Games to Be Played at Willows in Association's Schedule

Three games are scheduled for Monday night on the City Basketball Association's schedule as follows: 7:30 p.m.—B men, Navy vs. Garrison.

8:30 p.m.—C men, Rockland Academy vs. Y. M. C. A.

9:30 p.m.—A men, J. B. A. A. vs. Tillmans.

Very keen competition is expected in all the above games. This will be St. Mary's first appearance, but it is expected they will make the Garrison step all the way to win. The Rockland Academy and Y.M.C.A. teams are evenly matched, and should put up a good game, while a real thriller should result from the last of the three games on the programme. The Bays, having lost to the fast C.P.R. five last week, will be working hard to make up the lost ground. The Tillmans have a strong aggregation. They will field practically the same team as won from the fast Bluebirds last week. A big crowd is sure to be on hand to witness these games. Competition is getting very keen in all divisions and the fans are taking a big interest in the outcome of all games.

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CALGARY, Dec. 13.—Picking up a loose puck which "Red" Hilden had overhauled about twenty feet from the Calgary net, Joe McCormick drove a scizzling shot beyond Winkler 47 seconds after the commencement of the third period for the goal that gave Edmonton a 3 to 2 victory over the Tigers in the opening league game here tonight. The puck traveled about knee high and was in the net before Winkler saw it.

The Eskimos fought a game uphill struggle, as they were two goals down at the first period, Dutton and Crawford having beaten Tobin by soft shots.

Score Tied in Second
In the second period, the Tigers wilted and a long side shot by McCormick evaded Winkler. Shortly after Simpson tied the score when the puck bounced from ten feet out and passed Winkler on the right-hand side. The final period had hardly started when McCormick got the goal that spoiled the opener for 4,300 Calgary fans.

Play was clean and very fast, considering that the ice was sticky after the first period. Mickey Ion handed the game efficiently.

Summary
First period—1, Calgary, Dutton, 7:03; 2, Calgary, Crawford, 12:30.
Second period—3, Edmonton, McCormick, 5:21; 4, Edmonton, Simpson, 10:55.
Third period—5, Edmonton, McCormick, 14:7.

Penalties
First period—Eskimos awarded

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penalty shot which McCormick missed.
Second period—Benson, Crawford.
Third period—Dutton, Simpson, Stanley.

Club Standings and Individual Averages in Bowling Leagues

Following are the club standings and averages in the bowling leagues made out to December 13:

City League				
Club	W.	L.	Pts.	Rolls
Waverley	14	2	444	14,162
Colonist	13	3	415	13,827
Arctics	11	5	330	12,122
Willes Hat Co.	10	6	300	11,173
E. C. T.	4	14	122	12,583
Wagles	3	15	93	12,413

Commercial League				
Club	W.	L.	Pts.	Rolls
Colonist Night Owls	10	4	300	10,342
Willes Hat Co. "A"	10	4	288	9,923
Palmer	8	6	240	10,154
Colonist Office	8	6	232	10,087
Five Roses Flour	7	7	210	9,428
Tillamook	4	11	124	9,428
Wagles	4	11	104	8,472

City League Averages				
Club	W.	L.	Pts.	Rolls
Kennedy (Colonist)	14	2	444	14,162
Miller (Silver Spring)	14	2	444	14,162
Moulton (Willes Hat Co.)	14	2	444	14,162
West (Silver Spring)	14	2	444	14,162
Palmer (Silver Spring)	14	2	444	14,162
Willes (Colonist)	14	2	444	14,162
Brooks (Arctics)	14	2	444	14,162
Chapman (Colonist)	14	2	444	14,162
Bell (Colonist)	14	2	444	14,162
Willes (Willes Hat Co.)	14	2	444	14,162
Levy (Arctics)	14	2	444	14,162
Hadden (C.C.T.)	14	2	444	14,162
Hawkins (Colonist)	14	2	444	14,162
Hartness (Arctics)	14	2	444	14,162

The schedule for the week ending December 20 is as follows:

City League	
Dec. 15—Willes Hat Co. v. Eagles.	
16—Colonist v. Travelers.	
17—Arctics v. Silver Spring Brewery.	
Commercial League	
Dec. 15—Colonist Night Owls, bye.	
16—Tillamook v. Fairalls.	
17—Willes Hat Co. "A" v. Colonist Office.	
18—Five Roses Flour v. Stockers.	

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Football games played today resulted as follows:

English League—First Division
Birmingham 0, Bury 1.
Bolton 2, Newcastle 2.
Burnley 1, Arsenal 0.
Cardiff 2, Huddersfield 2.
Everton 1, West Ham 0.
Leeds 0, Manchester City 3.
Notts County 2, Sheffield 0.
Preston 2, Aston Villa 2.
Sunderland 1, Blackburn Rovers 0.
Tottenham 1, Liverpool 1.
West Bromwich 1, Notts Forest 1.

Second Division

Chelsea 2, Middlesbrough 0.
Clapton 2, Fulham 0.
Coventry-Blackpool, not played.
Crystal Palace 2, Wolverhampton 1.
Leicester 1, South Shields 1.
Manchester U. 3, Bradford City 0.
Oldham 1, Hull City 0.
Wednesday 3, Portsmouth 2.
Southampton 2, Barnsley 1.
Stoke 1, Derby County 1.
Stockport-Port Vale, not played.

Third Division, Northern Section

Grimsby 0, Crewe 0.
Halifax 1, Walsall 1.
New Brighton 3, Wigan 0.
Rotherham 1, Lincoln 1.
Wrexham 3, Durham 1.

Third Division, Southern Section

Brentford 0, Watford 0.
Brighton 0, Swansea 0.
Bristol 1, Middlesbrough 0.
Luton 2, Newport 2.
Millwall 2, Southend 0.
Plymouth 2, Aberdare 0.

Sixth Cup Round

Sixth qualifying round English Association Cup:
Doncaster 1, Southport 0.
Queens Park 1, Charlton 1.
Alfreton Town 2, Port Vale 0.
Reading 0, Darlington 1.
Crooktown 0, Bradford 4.
Accrington 1, Chesterfield 0.
Hartlepool 4, St. Albans 0.
Bristol 0, Weymouth 0.
Nelson 0, Coventry City 1.
Exeter 3, Barnet 0.
Gillingham 0, Barrow 0.
Norwich 1, Rochdale 0.

Scottish League—First Division

Ayr 1, St. Mirren 1.
Cowdenbeath 4, Queens Park 0.
Falkirk 1, Dundee 2.
Hearts 1, Celtic 1.
Morton 1, Aberdeen 1.
Motherwell 2, Raith Rovers 1.
Rangers 2, Hamilton 0.
St. Johnston 4, Kilmarnock 2.
Third Lanark 1, Hibernians 2.

Second Division

East Fife 3, Johnstone 1.
East Stirlingshire 2, Bo'ness 4.
Bathgate 4, King's Park 3.
Clyde 0, Broxburn 0.
Citybank 5, Dundee 0.
Stenhouse Muir 1, Dunfermline 4.
Arthurlie 0, Dumbarton 2.
Alton 1, Albion Rovers 0.
Arbroath 1, St. Bernard 0.

Northern Rugby Union

Barrow 7, St. Helen's Recs. 0.
Bradford 3, Hunslet 0.
Dewsbury 4, Broughton 3.
Featherstone 14, Bramley 7.
Huddersfield 15, Rochdale 3.
Hull 15, Halifax 2.
Keighley 15, Hull Kingston 6.
Leeds 13, Swinton 3.
Salford 3, Wigan Highfield 5.
St. Helen's 21, Leigh 5.
Warrington 13, Oldham 3.
Wigan 10, Widnes 3.

Rugby League

Blackheath 0, Leicester 9.
Guy's Hospital 3, Aberavon 8.
Old Merchant Tailors 28, Harlequins 14.
Old Leysians 16, London Scottish 11.
Ramsay Park 3, Old Blues 13.
Glasgow Acad. 3, Cambridge University 24.
Bath 16, Richmond 9.
Coventry 21, Bradford 0.
Bridgewater 0, Plymouth 0.
Bristol 18, Clifton 5.
Cheltenham 0, Gloucester 9.
Combined Services 3, New Zealand 25.

International Trial Match

Scotland 21, The Rest 17.

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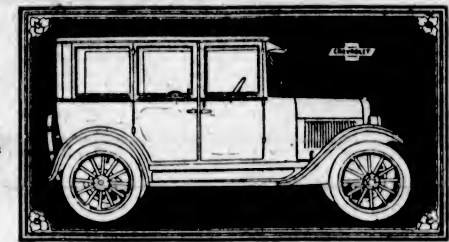
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CHAPTER XXVIII

Nine Slides

Cobb Invented Them—How He Watched Ball—Confusing the Umpire

By H. G. SALINGER.

An infielder can stand in a wrong position. He can fool a base runner by his attitude. But the infielder's eyes cannot deceive.

Ty Cobb knew, of course, that to catch a ball a man has to have his eye on the ball and, therefore, while the infielder may not be standing in the path of the ball and while his hands may not be in position to make the catch, his eyes will be following the ball and by watching the man's eyes the runner not alone can tell what direction the ball is taking, but he can also discover how near the ball is to the infielder.

Belfast Celtic 3, Ormiston 1.
Barn 3, Ballyclare 1.
Queen's Island 3, Distillery 1.
Cliftonville 3, Ards 1.

None Hit as Often

Often during his career has Cobb been hit by a thrown ball. The reason is given in the preceding paragraphs. Cobb traveled ahead of the ball, and if the play was close the chance was always that Cobb and the ball met.

Several times Cobb has reached a base, or scored, by kicking a ball. Five times in one season Cobb scored on a play like this. One time, in a game between Detroit and Philadelphia, with J. Franklin Baker playing third base, Cobb got in the line of the ball. The throw was a bit faster than Cobb and as he slid the ball struck the ground just ahead of him and bounced up. As the ball arose Cobb kicked. His spikes struck the ball and it rolled into the Detroit dugout. Cobb got up and walked home. Baker protested. The umpire said it was an accident, as it was impossible for Cobb to deliberately kick the ball while sliding. Baker lost his argument, but he was not convinced. He knew—so did Cobb.

By watching the infielder's eyes Cobb also judged his sliding. If he thought the ball would beat him to the bag he slid in the opposite direction from the one in which the infielder's gaze was focused.

Cobb had developed nine different slides. This thing of sliding came difficult at first. Like everything else he mastered the art of sliding by long and constant practice.

I slid automatically, naturally. I first learned the ordinary orthodox slide into a base. Then I decided I would have to improve on that to get a bigger percentage in running bases. I learned to slide on the outside and hook my toe in the corner of the bag as I passed. It took me a long time to learn it, for this slide required judgment of distance. Your take-off has to be right and your direction accurate. It means quick action. I learned to slide on the inside of the bag and on the outside, always away from the spot where the fielder would take the throw."

Couldn't Outguess Him

Infielders became acquainted with Cobb's slides, but to outguess him on them in order to tag him was like outguessing Christy Mathewson's delivery to hit him. And then, one day, Cobb made a slide several feet outside the infielder. He slid past the bag. The infielder lunged after him. Suddenly Cobb threw his body on the outside, away from the pursuing fielder and touched the bag with his hand. He had invented another slide.

Few men have been as supple as Cobb. He seemed like Rudyard Kipling's "Injia" rubber ball. He was "quick as a cat." Few infielders have ever handled him successfully as a base runner. There never was another man as difficult to tag.

Cobb introduced the method of sliding to first. He started doing this on close plays. That was another one of Cobb's innovations that seemed foolish to his profession at first, but Cobb had his own intelligent reason for it.

"With a runner creeping first in an upright position, the umpire has the runner and the ball in the same line of vision. If the runner slides what's the result? If the ball is coming to the first baseman waist-high, as it generally is, or higher, the umpire has to look at the ball and then change his line of vision and look down at the runner. He loses either the runner or the ball; he can't see both at the same instant. And if the throw is low the runner sliding will raise a cloud of

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BETWEEN OURSELVES

Writer folk are proverbially lazy. We remember once seeing a cartoon in Punch, or it might have been Judge, which exemplified the genus as well as anything could do. It was in the shape of a very much elongated and distracted looking individual, ambition pulling him up by the air of the head, and laziness dragging at his feet. And it is laziness that causes many literary people, novelists, especially, to write inwardly instead of outwardly, according to their own perverted or twisted conception of things; to have the little passions of their discontent and fail to hear the summons of the stars.

Now take these Winter evenings, for example. It may not be raining—but even if it is—thoughts may not be raining; it may be a glorious night with a tang of frost in the air, wind still, and the sky ablaze with light. How many of us ever take the trouble to get up from a warm seat before the fire and look out of the windows. And yet every intelligent person knows that if one will shake off the sleepiness and lethargy following upon a full meal in an overheated house, and get out in the open for twenty minutes or so, the mind will only be physically invigorated but will receive a mental and spiritual stimulus that only wide skies and frosty stars can give; thoughts that are far and away better than the thoughts which attend a lazy digestion and an inactive body. But there will be the germ of clean, bright truth in them, while armchair thoughts, lacking the light of the Winter stars, are apt to be unoriginal and material, and sometimes downright cynical and bitter. All for the want of a bit of physical exertion, and all because of the dulling of the senses to the summons of the out-of-doors.

The Hebrews of old knew the heavens, the stars, the winds and the mountains, the big and little waters so intimately. And when we want the best reading, the most magnificent descriptions of nature's wonders we know where to find them. But it is always better to get experience at first hand, and "The Heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament sheweth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech and night unto night sheweth knowledge." It is a simple matter to look out of one's windows for a little while, or to take a walk away from the little passions of our discontent.

If we would only depend more on the glory of God and less on our own conceit, we wonder how much that is at present clouded as literature would pass away like fog before the wind, and leave our mental vision clear as a mountain lake to reflect with lovely exactitude the beauty of God's truth.

MAINLY ABOUT BOOKS

Appropos of what we have just written in the preface to a book by W. H. Hudson, "Far Away and Long Ago." That preface is, in our way of thinking, rather a piteous thing. It is so wonderful and it carries a note of almost hopelessness. That most modern of modernists, John Galsworthy, is responsible for it, and one can trace throughout its length the sadness of disillusion. He bows to W. H. Hudson as to one possessing gifts which once he had himself, but which he has lost, and that most of the world has lost as well. "Only he is wrong. Most of the world has not lost them, but still cherishes them and holds them very dear, even though they may be dim about showing them in the light of carping criticism."

Hudson says: "The sense of the beautiful is God's best gift to the human soul," and Mr. Galsworthy comments: "And so it is, and to pass that gift on to others in such great measure must surely have been happiness to him. Do we realize how far our own town life and culture have got away from things that really matter, how instead of making civilisation our handmaid to freedom we have set her heel on our necks and under it bite dust all the time? . . . I do not decant on his love for simple folk and simple things, his championship of the weak and the revolt against the cagings and cruelties of life. . . . His work is a vision of natural beauty and of human life as it might be, quickened and sweetened by the sun and the wind and the rain, and by fellowship with all the other forms of life, a vision given to us who are more in want of it than any generation has ever been."

The late Mr. Hudson's books are very much in demand at present in England. The series was completed only just before his death, and most of his honor and riches are posthumous. Most unselfish of men, he would probably have preferred it that his wife should receive what was due him. The story of their life is a constant struggle against poverty, but nevertheless brightened by a perfect understanding and a happy philosophy.

Hudson who was one of the great naturalists is also a most delightful philosopher. He appeals to the mind, the heart and the senses together.

Chacun a son sort, but we believe that Wallace Irwin's estimate will prefer him in his role as straight humorist than as a novelist. He has chosen as his title for his new book "The Golden Bed" which is both satirical and alluring. So is the owner of the golden bed, rather too much of both for the comfort of her world.

Mr. Irwin tries to bring extremes together reasonably, the children of luxury and a long line of ancestors, with the son of ignorant and lowly born parents. Nor does he give his son of poverty any camouflage of popish or education all through the book. He makes his outrageous grammatical blunders and his faux pas to the bitter end. In this Mr. Irwin dares to portray the truth, for there are these sort of anomalies to confront us constantly in America, both Canada and the United States. The mating of patrician and gilded plebeian, a plebeian who clings to the vulgar habits of youth and refuses to be parted from them. No person is great enough to make us forget his lack of refinement. We may forgive it, but it arouses in us the sort of feeling that would hurt him more than anything else if he was aware of it. The non-observance of little decencies and refinements do not make a man less than a man, but only the more of a boor. And Mr. Irwin has dared greatly in choosing

And by the night when it dark-
eneth.

The Lord hath not forsaken thee,
neither hath he been displeased.
And surely the Future shall be better
for thee than the past.

And in the end thy Lord be bounti-
ous to thee and thou be satisfied.

Did he not find thee an orphan
and give thee a home?
And found thee erring and guided
thee?

And found thee needy and enriched
thee?

The Upanishads of India

The Being who is in his essence
the light and life of all, who is world-
conscious, is Brahma. Not only in
space, but in light and life this all-
pervading Being is in our souls. He is
all-conscious in space or the world of
extension; and he is all-conscious in
soul, or the world of intension.

Thus to attain world-consciousness
we have to unite our feeling with this
all pervasive infinite feeling. Man
does not acquire rights through
occupation of larger space, nor
through external conduct, but his
rights extend only so far as he is
real, and his reality is measured by
the scope of his consciousness.

We have however to pay a price for
the attainment of the freedom of con-
sciousness. What is the price? It is
to give one's self away. Our soul can
realize itself truly only in denying
itself. Thou shalt gain by giving
away. Thou shalt not covet.

From the Talmud—Sayings of the Rabbis

When a man enters upon the path
of truth and justice, God helps him
forward, but when he chooses the way
of sin, God says: "I gave thee reason
and free will," even as the trader will
wait upon the customer who purchases
a good and pleasant article, while to
one who desires pitch and sulphur he
says: "Go, wait upon thyself."

From the Gospels of Buddha

Look about you and contemplate
life.

Everything is transient and nothing
endures. There is birth and death,
growth and decay; there is combina-
tion and separation.

The glory of the world is like a
flower; it stands in full bloom in the
morning and fades in the heat of the
day.

Wherever you look there is a rush-
ing of pleasures, a panic from pain and
death, a vanity fair, and the flames of
burning desires. The world is full of
changes and transformations. All is
Samsara.

Is there nothing permanent in the
world? Is there in the universal tur-
moil no resting place where our
troubled heart can find peace? Is
there nothing everlasting?

When shall the mind become tran-
quil and composed?
Buddha, our Lord, was grieved at
the life of life. He saw the vanity of
worldly happiness and sought sal-
vation in the one thing that will not
fade or perish, but will abide forever
and ever.

Ye who long for life, know that
immortality is hidden in transiency.

Ye who wish for a happiness that
contains not the seeds of disappoint-
ment or of regret, follow the advice
of the great Master and lead a life of
righteousness. Ye who yearn for
riches, come and receive the treasures
that are eternal.

The truth is eternal; it knows
neither birth nor death; it has no
beginning and no end. Hall the truth,
O mortals. Let the truth take posses-
sion of your souls.

The mind is the immortal part
of the mind. The possession of truth is
wealth and a life of true happiness.

We were delighted to see in yester-
day's despatches from Ottawa that
Parliament will be asked next session
to recognize that one of the qualifica-

tions of civil servants should be their
ability to possess at least a working
knowledge of French. Also that mem-
bers of the civil service who can
speak both French and English be
paid a higher salary than those who
can speak but the one or the other.
We believe that those who enter for
the English civil service examinations
must be able to pass this bi-lingual
test. This resolution, which will come
before the Federal House, deserves the
full support of all members, and if it
passes will do more toward making
Canada bi-lingual than anything else
could do, for in these mercenary days
what is of direct financial benefit
makes the most appeal to the ma-
jority.

Recognition of his recent visit to
Victoria, the members of the Victoria
and Islands Branch of the C.A.A. are
presenting Mr. Laurence Burpee,
president of the association, with a
walking stick, which Mr. C. C. Pen-
berton has kindly donated for the pur-
pose. The stick is of arbutus wood,
of curious design, and will be polished
and mounted with a small silver plate
bearing an appropriate inscription.

GENE STRATTON PORTER

The following brief appreciation of
Gene Stratton Porter, whose life came
so tragically and suddenly to an end
a few days ago, is written by a Vic-
torian who knew her intimately, and
who worked by her side. There are
so many persons here, especially
among the children, who are familiar
with this late author's charming
stories, that the few words will be
read with deep interest.

I fully realize how inadequate any
mere words are in dealing with a
subject like this, and my thoughts are
still shadowed by the tragedy of her
passing. For twenty years she worked
as hard as any man in her Indiana
woods. And now, on practically her
first vacation—that is as near a vaca-

tion as she could bring herself to take
—when she was doing such splendid
work and was so full of plans for the
future (she was just completing her
new house in Beverly Hills), to be
snatched away from the world she
loved and to which she gave so freely.
It seems too sad to contemplate.

Eager, on tiptoe to grasp the cup
of life with both her hands, finding
beauty in all about her, where others
might tread it under foot, and shar-
ing that beauty freely; generous to a
fault, cheerfully shouldering burdens
not her own, and facing the world
with a serene faith and courage that
found their reflection in the level
glance of her dark eyes—such a
woman was Gene Stratton Porter.

In her childhood, while her com-
panions would be playing games, she
would lie motionless for hours in the
woods listening to the rhythms of
nature. And so delicately attuned was
her ear that, with eyes shut, she
could distinguish the tread of a cater-
pillar from that of a spider, on a
leaf beside her.

Had she lived abroad, Gene Stratton
Porter would have had the recognition
his countrymen have accorded Henri
Fabre. As a nature writer she need
yield the place of authority to no one.
And it is worthy of note that even in
her minutest observations she never
harmed a butterfly. She carried this
reverence for all wild things even to
the extent of penicillating, unarmed,
swamps infested with rattlesnakes. It
is told of her that on developing a
photograph she had been intent on
taking of a bird's nest she was some-
what startled to find on the plate (but
the head of a coiled rattlesnake had
been in close proximity to her own).

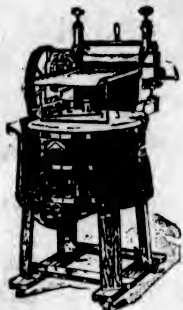
It is, of course, by her novels that
Gene Stratton Porter is chiefly known,
and of these it is superfluous to say
anything. However, it may be of in-
terest to know that "Laddie" is the
most "personal" of her books. Herein
is described her home life, her fam-
ily, "Laddie" was her favorite brother,

and "Little Sister" was the counter-
part of Gene Stratton Porter herself.
Here is a little incident which is
typical of Mrs. Porter. She was enter-
ing the auditorium of the Southwest
Museum where she was to deliver an
address to a large audience. The place
was filled to overflowing. At the en-
trance to the auditorium was stand-
ing a shabby little old woman with a
wistful look on her face that arrested
Mrs. Porter's attention. It seemed
that this little woman had come many
miles to hear Gene Stratton Porter,
and unable, through the press of the
crowd, to gain admittance to the hall,
had taken up this stand in the hope
of seeing her idol. Mrs. Porter,
struck with the wistfulness of the old
face, made inquiries, learned the truth
and saw to it that she was given a
place where she could not only see
Mrs. Porter but hear every word of
her talk. No one, provided he was
sincere, was too insignificant to enlist
Gene Stratton Porter's sympathy.

But for an incident in her girlhood
she might have won as great fame as
a poet as she has as a novelist. She
had written a whole volume of verse,
which she submitted to an elder sister
for her approval. This sister, not
bothering to read it, ridiculed the girl
for having aspirations too lofty for
her position. Gene Stratton Porter,
sensitive then as always, accepted her
sister's verdict as final, and burned
page after page of what she later
realized was perhaps her best work,
and until very late years rigorously
worked this desire to express her-
self in verse in the rhythms she
learned from nature. L. H.

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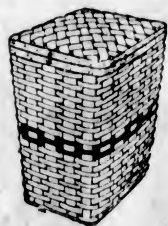


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Washer) this copper-bottom wash
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the price of the White Cap and Bench.

JUST \$2 DOWN

Nothing More to Pay This Year

Pay us \$2.00 now, the next payment in January and the balance in
easy payments throughout the year. You'll hardly miss it, and the
washer will be worth all it costs in saving of hard work. In fact
it will save headaches and backaches and laundry bills to pay for
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The tubs are special, square, non-slip tubs, which fit closely
together and fit snugly up to the wringer so there is no waste
in wringing. The tub bench to hold the tubs goes along with
every outfit, and where there are stationary tubs is used to hold
the basket.



Tubs Free
Bench
Included

OTHER valuable and useful
premiums are the clothes
hamper and stepladder. The
tub drainer is almost indis-
pensable and a clothes
basket, a necessity. A boiler is
always handy and a clothes
drier greatly helps the work
of washday in rainy weather.



Handy Rinse and Squeeze
Tubs, fit snugly side by
side on the Tub Bench.
This is especially handy
for washing in the kitchen
by in the basement when
there are no stationary
tubs.



Think What It Will Mean!

Christmas time brings an excess of
washing. You must have clean linen
and clean clothes for this festive
season. Think what it will mean to
be relieved of the drudgery of this
additional washing; and then to have
a White Cap to do the weekly wash-
ing and wringing for a life-time of
wash days.

Buy a White Cap for Christmas, or
give a White Cap for Christmas.

FREE PREMIUMS



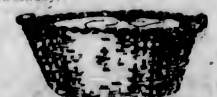
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There will be no lugging of water
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have this drainer. The woman in
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Electric Washer with this device.
It saves 20 minutes of time on
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Don't delay in securing yours—
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outfit. There never was in the history of washer selling so much given for a payment of
\$2.00 down. Make it a Christmas gift for someone. What scenes of joy when the White
Cap, with wringer, bench tubs, and other premiums, is found under the Christmas tree!
And how happily the gladness will be echoed through the year, each time the washer is
used! How much appreciated this splendid gift will be throughout the many years that
follow! What a wonderful suggestion for a Christmas gift! Give it to her for Christmas.
Secure a White Cap with valuable premiums NOW!

Mail and Phone Orders Will Receive Careful and Prompt Attention

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718 YATES STREET

Victoria, B. C.

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Gondoliers Grumble As Motor Boats Chug In Canals of Venice

Lure of Quick Transportation Has Won Tourists
Away From Romantic but Slow Methods of Travel
Always Associated With Picturesque Italian City
Built on the Water

AMERICAN VISITORS ARE BLAMED FOR REVOLUTION

By ISHBEEL ROSS

WITH the encroachment of motor boats on the silent waterways of Venice, one of the last touches of native quiet in Europe seems to be going. The Venetians are mildly alarmed. They blame the tourist—particularly the American tourist. They quote the sad case of the man who awakened in a sleeper, found it was Venice, jumped into a gondola in his pajamas, "did" the Grand Canal in twenty minutes and caught the same train out.

The gondoliers, black figures of mystery, crusted with the dirt of ages and its tery who propel one romantically through the network of lagoons, are most alarmed of all. This rude invasion does more than touch their amour propre; it has its effect on their pockets. The most aloof of the gondoliers have a quite considerable interest in their material rewards, however out of character this may seem. They scowl darkly and lose a beat in the perfect rhythm of their dip as the impudent motor boats chug by, gay with a flutter of flags and leaving a stream of foam to rock the narrow keel of the gondola.

The tourist has much to answer for in Venice. Left to itself, it is a leisurely city of dreams, hushed but for the steady swish of the gondolier's pole playing in the sun-streaked byways. Its creamy, litian stone is

By night the Lagoon sparkles with golden lights under a perfect moon—it is always a perfect moon in Venice—and the fishermen's sails, rust and orange by day, are etched in dark triangles for out toward the Lido. The black hoods of the gondoliers hob up and down along the water's edge, but in through one's window come the cries of hawkers, the clipp-clapp of feet on the paved promenade and a harsh blending of many tongues. Honey-mooners from all over Europe, hand in hand under the spell of the magic

New Customs Replace Old in the City of Canals



PANORAMIC VIEW OF VENICE

night; school teachers getting all they can out of the few days of their vacation they have apportioned to Venice, artists rhapsodizing over the obvious, middle-aged husbands and wives snatching belatedly at romance in an atmosphere heavily laden with the incense of love—all engage themselves in ardent worship of such ardent beauty.

Nirol from the Lagoon to St. Mark's Square, and one finds the tourist note more dominant still. The little tables are filled with chattering mobs, sipping American sundaes—not very good ones—and American cocktails, within a stone's throw of gorgeous St. Mark's and the long, rambling pile of the Doge's Palace. The hand switches now and again from classical music to American jazz in European tempo. Cheering gun is offered for sale. A gondola disappears under the Bridge of Sighs with a scurrying strumming. "Yes, We Have No Bananas" on his guitar. So much for the Venetian night.

By day one wonders where the real Venetians hide themselves. Only the tourists are in evidence. They hunt in droves, usually with a guide who cracks threadbare prohibition jokes at every opportunity. All around St. Mark's Square the shopkeepers stand guard to lure them to buy marble figures, Venetian beads, exquisite glassware and silks which could be bought at much the same price in London or New York.

It is impossible to tell whether the Venetians resent or welcome this invasion. They are less demonstrative than most of their fellow countrymen and do not give themselves away so lightly. But they are aware that catering to tourists is one of Venice's chief industries and act accordingly. So they merely smile with tolerance at the postcard buyers and the camera enthusiasts, who spend their mornings feeding the pigeons and having their pictures taken with the birds perched on their shoulders. The old photographer and bookseller on St. Mark's Square, known to almost everyone who has ever visited Venice, shakes his head wisely over the persons who line up to take pictures of the Bridge of Sighs and the Rialto. He knows that he plants his expert photographer at show spots for weeks, and even months, to take pictures when the lights and shadows are exactly as they should be. But then, such pictures! And how lucrative the prices he gets from Americans for them! Go into his shop and he is sure to bring out a handsome book filled with these photographic masterpieces, at the same time reeling off the names of a long list of well known buyers.

While the Venetian may blame the tourist for encouraging the motorboat, it is also true that the business man of Venice finds it a convenience in the morning. Unless he travels to work by the little steamers on the Grand Canal, he has to amble along at the very leisurely pace of the gondola. This defection on the part of the native worries the gondoliers quite as much as the fickle taste of the tourist. No visitor is likely to travel all the way to Venice without spending at least part of his time in the historic boats. Who on earth wants to be rushed through the Grand Canal except a native or some one like the hurried traveller?

But when the tourist has only two days in which to do Venice he takes a motor boat. It dashes him over to the Lido before a gondola could get comfortably started, even supposing the gondolas were in the habit of braving the stretch of water that divides Venice proper from its famous beach. They were never built to stand a choppy sea, so that small steamers and motor boats have all their own way when it comes to colling passengers to the Lido. The motor boats also are used exclusively to run the tourist out to Murano, where a fascinating tour can be spent watching the glass blowers whirl out their marvels over red hot fires.

It is a further sign of the times that old Venetian families who always had a stately gondola tethered at their doorstep are apt to boast a smart motor launch now. And worst of all, the peerless Venetian fete are professed by the busy little motor boats which push themselves in between the gondola prow and appropriate the best vantage points for the fireworks. The old men who hook the gondolas and hold their bats for pennies shiver with distaste. Perhaps they have a premonition of the day when black swan gondolas will be as rare in Venice as hansom cabs in New York.

The Lido has already stolen the best of the tourist trade from Venice and there is nothing of Venice about the Lido except the skyline one sees across the water—no gondolas, no St. Mark's, no canals, only a strip of exclusive beach, monster hotels and all the

worldly comforts and diversions to be found equally at Palm Beach, Deauville or Biarritz.

12TH SIEGE BATTERY

Battery Orders by Major G. G. Alt-ken, M.C., Commanding, Victoria, B.C., December 12, 1924.

Parade of the Battery will take place on Tuesday, December 16, and on succeeding Tuesdays until further notice. Time assembly will take place sharply at 7:55 p.m. Right section under command of Capt. Everall, left section under command of Lieut. Woodhouse.

The following is the schedule arranged for the Battery activity preceding Christmas: December 18, turkey shoot; December 23, physical training and P.T. games and boxing instruction.

Dress, mufti. If possible please bring "gym" shoes.

Note—Each member of the Battery is especially requested to be present.

A special invitation is extended to suitable young men to visit the Battery and take part in the Winter activities.

TORONTO, Dec. 12.—The mail vote for directors of the Holstein-Friesian Association for 1925 for the Western provinces, has resulted in the re-election of all the former directors: Manitoba, George Rice, Stonewall; Saskatchewan, C. W. Thurston, Regina; Alberta, J. H. Haycock, Okotoks; British Columbia, J. H. Moore, Esauodale.

Christmas Greetings

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Old SANTA CLAUS says if you choose
And "Aimsfeld" Fuel Saver use.
Your coal bills will be cut in two.
Which means a bright New Year for you.
But those who doubt what here is written,
With heavy coal bills will be smitten.
Whilst others in far happier plight,
Will say it serves 'em d— well right.

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The dividing plate A can be moved along the raised grate, or dispensed with for long lengths of wood.
The B.C. HARDWARE CO., 718 Fort Street, give a week's FREE TRIAL (no deposit required).
Reduced in price until the end of present year, viz., \$5 to \$17.75, according to size. Phone 82.

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YES! CALEDONIA is real good stuff—and you don't need to be a connoisseur to appreciate its goodness. Go down to the Liquor Store today; get a bottle of CALEDONIA, and you'll get satisfaction from the first nip to the last drop. It's mellowed and aged in oaken casks, and bottled in bond under Government supervision. That's why it's always dependable. And the price saves you a clear dollar on every bottle!

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As Young as the Youngest

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Men younger than himself cannot but envy him his health, his popularity, his untiring vigour, his whole-hearted capacity for flinging himself into the joy of the dance and extracting every ounce of pleasure from it. They marvel that at his age he should always be fit and well. What is it that makes him seem as young as the youngest there?

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Kruschen Salts

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Chinese Ginger, good sized jar. Sale Price **29c**

YUEN LUNG CO.

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Charms of Victoria Are Unsurpassed, Says Bishop

Head of Catholic Church on Vancouver Island. After Nine Months' Residence in City, Puts Its Attractions of Scenery and Climate Above Those of Any Other Place He Has Known—People Are Friendly and Cultured

The scenic beauty and the climate of the city, the good manners and the honorable simplicity of character of its citizens, the moral cleanliness and the workaday adequacy of its newspapers, and not least, the good behavior of its children—these are among the outstanding characteristics of this community which recommend it to the Rt. Rev. Thomas O'Donnell, Bishop of Vancouver Island, who answers The Colonist's question, "Why I Have Faith in Victoria," with a striking tribute to the attractions of the city in the region of artistic and spiritual values.

Bishop O'Donnell defines the place of Victoria among the cities of Canada and of North America in moral terms rather than in material ones; but he is enthusiastic in the first place about its own beauty and that of its incomparable setting; and he puts the charm of its climate immeasurably above that of any other city in the Dominion and the United States. For his own part, he says, he prefers the climate of Victoria even to those more famous ones of France and Italy; and when he seeks a comparison in the Old Country he goes to Killarney "where angels fold their wings and rest."

Courtesy and Culture

The Bishop, who gives his impressions of the city from the observations he has made of his nine months' residence here, is particularly happy to report what he characterizes as the friendliness he has found among all sorts and conditions of people here. He finds a real courtesy and culture among Victorians. In a measure which sets the city apart from any other he has known on this continent.

Unequivocal testimony to the high standards of good taste and good judgment maintained by the newspapers of Victoria is witnessed by Bishop O'Donnell, who argues that the mentality of a community is to be judged by the quality of its daily press, and this, by his canon, Victoria must be accorded a high place among the cities of Canada.

Bishop O'Donnell concludes with a word of high praise for the children of Victoria, whom he puts it, "reflect the beauty and the culture of this community," and who are, in his opinion, "a credit to their parents and a honor to their schools and teachers."

The Bishop answers The Colonist's question as follows:

"Victoria As I See It"

"During a brief visit in Eastern Canada, the question that The Colonist poses to me today is one frequently asked, viz.: 'What is there about Victoria that it so recommends itself to you?' Before trying to give a satisfactory answer to this question I wish to state that if Canadians are as ignorant about other sections of their great Dominion as they are of the Pacific Coast, the slogan of the tourist agencies 'See Canada First' is excellent advice. In the East very little is known about Victoria, 'Beauty's Home.' To ask, whose fault is this, is another question.

"Victoria's beauty is one of its great assets; a beauty that immediately strikes the eye as one approaches the wooded shores and becomes more startling on closer acquaintance. This impression is deeply registered and is accentuated more and more the longer a stranger dwells in this favored spot.

"The climate of Victoria is wonderful, and especially to one who has been accustomed for years to the extremes of heat and cold, the Summers and Winters of Central and Eastern Canada. To my mind our climate here surpasses that of any other not only in America, but of any in France and Italy. Killarney, 'where angels fold their wings and rest,' at its best, most resembles that soft, seductive, almost semi-tropical atmosphere that is our delight on the Coast of British Columbia.

A Dream of Beauty

"At the present writing, the end of November, a continuous panorama of glorious coloring meets the eye. The towering and snow-capped mountains across the waters, like white-crowned monks at prayer, are a wondrous background for the Autumnal grandeur that surrounds our city. The deep blue of the sky mixed with the feery-white clouds lends charm to every day and is surpassed in beauty only when the sinking sun glows, melting from rosy red to pale saffron behind a mountain peak. Victoria in the evening shades is a dream of beauty as she wraps herself in the trailing garments of the night and sinks to rest. Eden's bowers are yet unlighted; is the only comparison worthy of so fair a city.

"The climatic beauty of Victoria is not the only attraction for a stranger in a strange land. The friendliness to be found amongst the people is a welcome contrast to the aloofness of the denizens of large commercial cities. The attitude of the great city is foreign to Victoria. Let us be thankful

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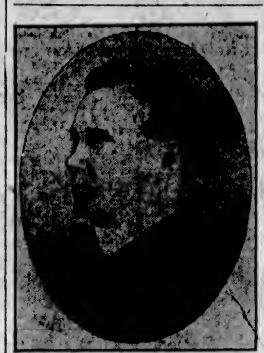
Doesn't hurt one bit! Drop a little 'Freezone' on an aching corn, instantly it shrinks, it drops, then shortly you lift it right off with fingers.

Your druggist sells a tiny bottle of 'Freezone' for a few cents, sufficient to remove every hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and the foot calms, without soreness or irritation. (Adv.)

for this and that courteous bearing sits so easily upon our citizens.

The City's Newspapers

"Speaking recently to a gentleman who has travelled far and studied much, I remarked to him in this regard, that there was a measure, by no means small, of European courtesy,



RT. REV. THOMAS O'DONNELL, Bishop of Vancouver Island, who gives reasons for his faith in Victoria in striking tribute to the charms of its climate and scenery and culture of its people.

culture and simplicity of character to be noticed in our city. It was a pleasure to have my impression confirmed by one so capable of judging. May such characteristic marks of Victorians grow and wax strong not only here but throughout Canada.

"To one not a stranger to the purities and faubourgs of newspaperdom, it is most natural to judge the mentality of a population by the patina they receive from the daily press. It is refreshing to scan the papers of Victoria and discover them to be so refined and so free from any that goes to make so many of the newspapers of America disgustingly vulgar and vain. Our daily journals reflect the attitude of our people: void of all that is emotional, prurient and pornographic, they carry, equally as well, the news worth while, local, national and foreign, as do the greater and more pretentious newspapers. The Victorian press recognizes itself to be the guardian of the people's rights and the defender of the fundamental principles of social morality and moral progress; seemingly it has an established rule of conduct and a conscience.

Praise for Children

"I would be remiss, indeed, if I did not bear testimony to something that reflects, perhaps better than anything else, the beauty and culture of this community as I see it: that is, the Christian politeness and good manners of the children of Victoria. They are a credit to their parents and an honor to their schools and teachers.

"These are a few of my impressions in regard to Victoria after a residence here of seven or eight months and answer for me when I am asked, 'What is there about Victoria that so recommends it to you?'

Fatalism Controls Exiles From Russia Domiciled in France

PARIS Dec. 13.—More than 500,000 Russians in France have ceased to be refugees and became exiles, without a recognized country and without a protector, according to M. Maklakoff, the Russian Socialist leader, who explains that this condition is one of the principal consequences of the recognition of the Soviet Government at Moscow by France. Maklakoff added that the action of the French Government will make more uncertain the prospective of a political change in Russia. He is confident, however, that unless the Bolsheviks change their policies radically, they will ultimately succumb through a counter-revolution.

"The world is abandoning us by degrees," he how Madame Maklakoff put it. "We have no longer any other protector than God; He, in His wisdom, is making our trial a long and weary one, but He will see that justice is done in the end."

These expressions from the Maklakoffs give a fair idea of the spirit in which the anti-Bolshevik Russians take the new situation.

There are three proposals for the immediate solution of the Russian refugee problem. The first is repatriation, but only a small minority are supposed to have enough courage to go back to their country. The second is French naturalization; it is thought in the Russian colony that perhaps 100,000 Russians now in France will take advantage of the invitation of the government to become French citizens. As to the great majority who want to remain Russians and are not ready to espouse Bolshevism, it is proposed that the countries where they reside be requested to issue passports to those which European governments will be asked to respect. Two countries, however, Poland and Italy, have already announced that on account of their understandings with the Soviets they can recognize no passports to Russians other than those issued by the Moscow Government.

SIXTEENTH SCOTTISH

Battalion Orders Part I, by Lieut.-Colonel H. M. Urquhart, D.S.O., M.C., A.D.C., commanding 1st Battalion (16th Bn. C.E.F.), The Canadian Scottish Regiment, Victoria, B.C., 12th December, 1924.

1. Duties—Duties for the week ending 23rd December, 1924: Officer of the week, Lieut. H. Thurnham; next for duty, Captain J. Gordon Smith; next for duty, Lieut. E. Perry; next for duty, Lieut. S. Raybone. Batt. Orderly Corp., Lieut. D. J. Muir; next for duty, Lieut. E. W. W. W.

2. Parade—The Battalion will parade at the Drill Hall, Bay Street, on Tuesday next, the 16th instant, at 8.15 p.m. for dress parade.

3. Instruction—Instruction will be given in the undermentioned subjects by the instructors named: Lewis Gun, C.S.M. A. L. Marchant; signalling, Lieut. V. G. F. Barton; first aid, Major W. Bapty.

4. Musketry—All members of the unit are again reminded that musketry on the Miniature Range is being carried out on Tuesday and Thursday of each week as under: Headquarters, Band, Attached and Reserve Officers shoot on Tuesday.

The four companies on Thursday. Attestations—The undermentioned man having been duly attached is taken on the strength of the Battalion and posted to Company as stated against his name: No. 225, Pte. J. F. Wraight, No. 4, 9-12-24.

Promotions—The following provisional promotion will take effect the date stated below: No. 245, L-Corpl. M. McConnell, No. 4, to be Corporal from 24-11-24, with seniority as between Corpl. Johnson and Corpl. Beaumont.



Physicians Specify Bread for the Sick Room Diet

A LEADING medical specialist on food includes bread as one of the solid foods necessary in the diet of a patient suffering from some one of the "fever diseases." These diseases number more than eighty.

Just as good bread—bread such as Shelly's—is essential in bringing back health, so is it necessary to maintain good health.

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A fresh water pearl is sometimes valued at more than \$1,000, depending on its weight.

Status in the gardens of Versailles in France, have recently been cleaned with hose and steam.

Ask the One Who Burns It

Public Announcement!

We are now definitely established in our New Yard and Docks on the Industrial Reserve, between the plant of the Sidney Roofing & Paper Company and the Johnson Street Bridge. Acting under the terms of our lease (the terms of which we were fully aware when signed), and in view of the present state of the local labor market,

we will from this date employ white labor

exclusively in our Yard and on our Delivery equipment. This new wage scale will mean an INCREASED COST TO US, which can be largely overcome with an increased turnover. WILL WE HAVE YOUR CO-OPERATION?—the more orders we receive the more white men we will employ.

By buying from us you will be doing something to relieve the critical unemployment situation, and at the same time will receive the Island's best domestic coal, namely, "Nanosee Wellington"—Lump, Egg or Nut.

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Vancouver Island

RAINS DECREASE DRINKING WATER

LADYSMITH SYSTEM CRIPPLED
BY RISING STREAMS

Meagre Supply Affected Citizens in
Time of Copious Downpour—
Pipe-Line Carried Away

LADYSMITH, Dec. 13.—What at first seemed to be a temporary stoppage of the water supply has since assumed serious proportions, due to the carrying away of the pipeline bridge over Stewart Creek this week. The heavy rains and extremely high water have caused the stream and creek, rising in the mountains nearby, to flood and bring down piles of logs and fallen trees and to lift several large jams in Stewart Creek, the debris finally piling up against the pipeline structure and knocking it away from its supports.

It is understood that the coal company's dam, some miles upstream, has also given way, releasing thousands of tons of water stored for summer use.

All available men are now engaged in repairing the damage, and it is hoped to have the water on again by the first of the coming week.

In the meantime a meagre supply is obtained from the Colliery Company.

Bazaar Is Success
SAANICHTON, Dec. 13.—The L.O. B.A. Harmony Lodge 188, held a successful bazaar in the Orange Hall on Wednesday afternoon and evening. There was a large number of visitors and all the tables did a brisk business.

**IN THE MORNING
HER TONGUE WAS COATED
HAD BAD TASTE IN MOUTH**

Miss Pearl L. Zink, Nurse Corner, N.S., writes: "I was awfully troubled with my liver, and used to get such dizzy spells I would have to sit down while I was doing my work."

"In the morning, when I used to get up, my tongue was coated and I had a bad taste in my mouth, and oftentimes, throughout the day, I was troubled with pains in my stomach."

"I suffered in this way until a friend of mine had used your
**MILBURN'S
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told me of having taken them, so I decided to try them, and I can truthfully say that they certainly did me a lot of good."

"I cannot recommend them too highly to all those who suffer as I did."

You can procure Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills at all druggists or dealers; put up, for the past 30 years, by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont. (Advt.)

Mrs. N. Gray was convenor, and the following ladies had stalls: Fancy work, Mrs. C. Jeffery; home cooking, Mrs. A. Patterson; candy, Mrs. White; brain tub, Miss M. Starling; novelty stall, Mrs. J. Gibson; touch and take, Miss V. M. Nally. Afternoon tea was served by Mrs. J. N. Wood, Mrs. C. MacNab and Mrs. Edwin John. In the evening Miss Evelyn Nimmo, Mr. W. White and Miss Madie Patterson contributed a musical programme, Mrs. T. Morrow being the accompanist. Two guessing competitions were won by Mrs. Ross Patterson and Mr. J. Holden, and two decorated cakes were awarded to Mrs. R. Caines and Mrs. W. F. Patterson, of Victoria.

Hornby Island Loggers To Face Theft Charges

COURTENAY, Dec. 13.—On a charge of stealing logging equipment from a camp at Fanny Bay, David Robertson and John McGee, of Denman Island, operators of a logging camp on Hornby Island, appeared before Magistrate Humes here on Thursday. The men were charged with stealing 18 log chains, 13 boom sticks and other equipment from C. S. Cheng's camp at Fanny Bay. The accused are now out on a bond of \$1,000 each awaiting trial.

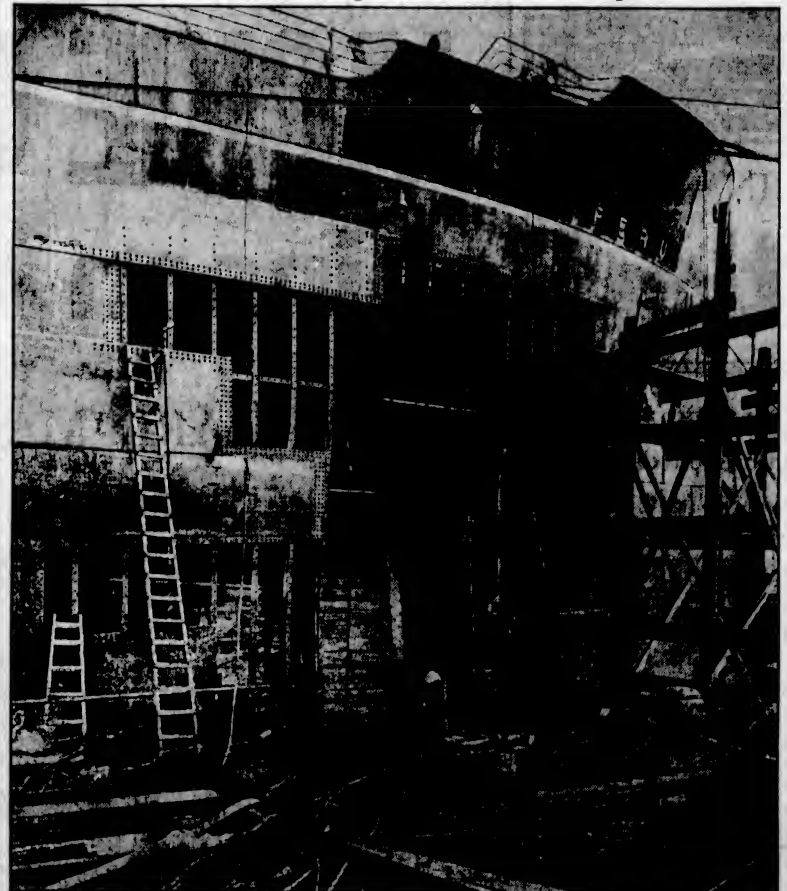
Metchoin Institute Ends Successful Year

METCHOSIN, Dec. 13.—At the Metchoin Farmers' Institute annual meeting, the directors' report showed one hundred and twenty members and great activity during the year. Receipts for the year were \$1,561.84, including the Victoria Day float and the Fall fair. The financial statement showed a balance of \$112.60.

During the evening, the president presented Mr. J. S. Yates with a unique miniature totem pole, on a very serviceable base, from the F. I. for the active support he has always given them. Presentations were also made to Mr. H. G. Pierce and Mr. R. I. Van der Byl, of suitably engraved Everharp pencils, for services rendered in connection with the Victoria Day float, from the three Women's Institutes of the district and the Farmers' Institute, as a mark of appreciation for their active work which made the Metchoin entry so successful as to carry off the special prize for the best decorated float.

Communications were received regarding the better drainage in the roads, a number of places in a bad

Yarrows Performing Unusual Repair Feat



MOTORSHIP PERU IN DOCK
Damaged in a collision in the First Narrows, nine new plates and four new frames had to be installed on the Peru. Yarrows secured the contract, and in doing the work has performed one of the most unusual repair feats on this coast. The drydock being occupied, the yard, in order to do underwater work, had to build a cofferdam around the ship's bow in order to install new plates. The repairs to the Peru will be completed this week. The above picture gives some conception of what the job is like.

state being mentioned, and the advisability of securing greater freedom of burning. Owing to the rapid second-growth logged-off areas were becoming useless for grazing purposes. It was claimed. A letter of thanks was received from the East grooms F. I. for the support from the Metchoin district during the past year. A well signed petition was received from the Rocky Point residents requesting that their district in future be attached to East Sooke F. I.

Before the election of officers the president made a statement regarding his position as secretary and member of the advisory board, explaining clearly his connection with the Department of Agriculture in all its aspects.

The following officers were elected for the year: C. E. Whitney-Grimith, president; H. G. Pierce, first vice-president; A. E. Wain, second vice-president; Messrs. A. B. Burgess, A. Hankin, and Capt. James, directors; Mrs. H. R. Brown, secretary, pro tem; and Mr. A. Hankin, assistant secretary.

A donation of \$10 was made to the Luxton and Happy Valley Women's Institute for their great assistance at the Fall fair.

Mexican Rebels Executed
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 13.—General A. Hernandez, a major and two captains belonging to the rebel forces under Tiburcio Cerillo, have been executed at Puebla City after a court-martial.

The Stegomyia mosquito has an insatiable appetite for human blood.

Indignation Meetings Held in Island Area Protesting Road State

LADYSMITH, Dec. 13.—Road conditions in this district are the worst in years, many of the most-travelled being almost impassable, chiefly owing to the lack of proper attention before the wet season.

The Island Highway to the north is a disgrace, and unless something is done will force travelers to leave their cars behind when visiting this locality. Granby and Extension Roads are under water in many places.

The long-suffering residents of Newcastle district are tired of being penalized for returning a member in opposition to the Liberal Government, and many indignation meetings are reported as being held condemning the road policy as now in force.

Pioneer of Prairies Dies at Island Town

COURTENAY, Dec. 13.—Late Wednesday night the death occurred of Mr. Andrew Kirkwood, father of Mrs. James Ledgerwood, of the Lake Trail Road. Mr. Kirkwood, who was in his eighty-ninth year, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and came out to Kingston, Ont., when quite a young man. In 1885, the year of the Kiel Rebellion, he moved as far West as Manitoba, where he became a successful farmer in the Deloraine district. In course of time he retired from active farming, and eleven years ago came to live with Mr. and Mrs. Ledgerwood in Courtenay.

Three sons and three daughters are bereaved by the passing of this aged pioneer. These are Messrs. Westley, Thornton and W. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. Collings, of Los Angeles, Cal.; Mrs. Conner, of Deloraine, Man., and Mrs. James Ledgerwood, a well-known resident of Courtenay.

SIDNEY NEWS
SIDNEY, Dec. 13.—The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the Union Church was held at Beach House, the president, Mrs. R. Ellis, being in the chair. The new officers were elected for the coming year as follows: President, Mrs. W. Armstrong; vice-president, Mrs. J. Jackson; secretary, Mrs. G. Lane, and treasurer, Mrs. C. Wemyss. A vote of thanks was given to the retiring officers. Mrs. Simister served a dainty tea.

The Sidney Social Club held its usual weekly card party in Matthews Hall. There were six tables of military five hundred, the winners being Mrs. R. N. MacAuley, Mr. A. Gilman acting lady, and Messrs. W. Watson and N. Armstrong. The high bids were won by Mrs. L. Harrison and Mr. P. Barlow. Mrs. T. Harrison and Mrs. A. Critchley were the hostesses for the evening. On December 31 the club intends to hold a social evening with a short musical programme, cards and a dance.

The annual meeting of the Women's Guild of St. Andrew's Anglican Church was held at the home of the president, Mrs. J. J. White. The rector of North Saanich, Rev. T. M. Hughes, opened the meeting. Two new members, Mrs. C. C. Cochran and Mrs. J. McNaught, were welcomed

to the guild. The new officers elected for the coming year were: President, Mrs. J. J. White; vice-president, Mrs. J. McNaught; secretary, Mrs. C. Ward, and treasurer, Mrs. T. M. Hughes. It was decided to invite Dean Quinlan, of Victoria, to come to Sidney in the beginning of the new year. At the close of the business the hostesses served tea. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. C. C. Cochran, Roberts Point.

Musical Tea Held
DEEP COVE, Dec. 13.—An enjoyable function was held yesterday afternoon at Church Hall, when the Ladies' Guild of Holy Trinity Church gave a musical tea. Mrs. Hiron, president of the Guild, was convenor, assisted by Mrs. G. Salmon, Mrs. A. Downey, Mrs. Frame, Mrs. A. Brown, Mrs. H. Barker and Miss C. Belson. Mrs. Jas. Copthorne, Mrs. C. Layard, Miss E. Gwynne and Miss M. Cochran contributed to a musical programme, Miss Jeffery being the accompanist. A variety still in charge of Mrs. G. Fownall and Mrs. A. Downey, did a brisk trade. There was a large crowd present and the proceeds were very satisfactory.

SPECIAL FEATURE ADDED TO PROGRAMME OF COLUMBIA THEATRE

The wonderful Australian Parl-Mutuel machine, that took four years to invent, and cost \$350,000 to perfect. Everyone should see this picture. Great hopes are being entertained of similar machines being used on B.C. tracks next year. It records every bet made in full view of the public. Tickets are only printed when sold, and they are instantaneously recorded, straight, place and show, and it is simplicity itself to add up the dividends before the race is run. The judge pulls the switch and the machine is automatically locked. You will see it all in the picture. As this picture, after showing at the Columbia Theatre, is being shipped to the Shanghai Racing Club, Shanghai, don't miss this opportunity to see it.

A microphone recently completed by scientists is said to record sounds made by small insects, generally believed to be mute.

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Christmas. As many
thousands will appreciate these beautiful,
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MADE IN CANADA

Plays and Players

Jackie Coogan Is Star of "Little Robinson Crusoe"

He's Envy of All Boys When He Takes Part of Regular Cop in New Capitol Theatre Picture—Famous Juvenile Actor Sworn Into San Francisco Police Force—Realizes His Kid Dreams—Makes Generous Contribution to Community Chest

WHAT kid in all this world hasn't dreamed of being a cop? To be a police officer with a shiny star, a tailored uniform and if big night stick, and to exercise the authority of the law is to a red blooded boy the zenith of life's attainments. There is one boy in this land who dreamed thus, and who recently experienced the materialization of his dream.

Jackie Coogan is an officer of the law, and this is how it all came about. These Are Real Cops

Jackie's company went to San Francisco to film scenes for his latest Metro-Goldwyn production, "Little Robinson Crusoe." The bulk of these scenes required the presence of San Francisco's jovial police chief, Dan O'Brien, and the members of his force. Jack Coogan, senior, who supervised the production of "Little Robinson Crusoe," asked the chief and his men to participate in Jackie's picture.

"Chief," said Coogan pere, "we're

WILLIAM FARNUM BACK IN BIG FILM

Appears in Role of Great Engineer, With Lois Wilson as Principal Support in Strong Cast

William Farnum in his first picture in over a year opens at the Coliseum Theatre tomorrow in "The Man Who Fights Alone." The picture, which is a production for Paramount, with Lois Wilson and Edward Horton featured in the cast.

Winged amid the splendours of the Yosemite National Park and the wooded glory of the Arrowhead country, and produced by the man who achieved fame as a director of "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," it is a picture which will lift the spectator out of the rut of his daily life.

"The Man Who Fights Alone" is a dramatic presentation of the power of love to triumph over human ills. It is the story of a strong man—a lone fighter—who, heart by heart, achieves regeneration through the love of his wife and child.

As a great engineer William Farnum, in the title role, makes the desert bloom and provides the power that turns the wheels of industry. He, with his best friend, loves the same girl, Marion, played by Lois Wilson. He is afraid to speak thinking he has no chance of winning her against his best friend, but is surprised to find that she loves him, not his friend. Bob Allen, the role played by Edward Horton.

They marry but Bob continues to be their best friend. Business worries accumulate for John, and these, added to his concern over the condition of Marion, bring him to the verge of a nervous collapse. On the day Marion's child is born he is stricken with paralysis, which leaves him helpless from the waist down.

The rest of the plot? That would spoil the dramatic suspense which dominates the production.

"OUT TO WIN" IS NEW FILM AT COLUMBIA

Adapted From Saturday Evening Post Story, It is full of Intense Situations With Strong Plot

"Out to Win," showing at the Columbia Theatre Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, has been adapted from the well-known play of that name which ran successfully at the Shaftesbury Theatre throughout the torrid summer of 1921.

The play was written by Mr. Roland Pertwee and Mr. Dion Clayton Calverton, and it has been as successful in the provinces and abroad as it was in London. In serial form the story appeared in The Western Mail, Yorkshire Telegraph and Star, Sunday Sun (Newcastle), and other papers, and was one of the most popular of the stories in the famous American journal, The Saturday Evening Post.

"Out to Win" contrives to be "alive" with incident all the time. Its scene shifts from country to country, and one dramatic situation follows another with little interval. The great moments in the film include a night escape on the Thames, a motor chase through Brittany, an escape by aeroplane, and—more especially—a fight to the death between two of the characters in the gondolas of a burning airship 5,000 feet over the Channel at night. Nothing has been spared to give a realistic touch to the film.

For the cast, Catherine Calvert, the well-known American "star," was engaged. Co-starring with her is Mr. Clive Brook, who will be remembered for his performance in "This Freedom," "Sonita," etc. Mr. Brook puts in a striking bit of work in the dual role of Anthony Barracough and Richard Frenchman Altar (Barracough's "double").

The film has been produced by Mr. Denton Clift, whose "Bill of Divorcement," "This Freedom," "A Woman of No Importance," etc., make such a remarkable gallery of British pictures.

CHERNIAVSKY TO GIVE RECITAL HERE ON DECEMBER 17

Back from another tour of Australia and New Zealand, after even more pronounced success than they ever had enjoyed previously, the world-famous Cherniavsky trio arrived here last night and told of their great welcome in the Southern Continent. Jan, Mischel and Leo, as Vio-

lontians knew them when they lived here, are unchanged. Jan will remain in Victoria for some days, but his brothers will go to the Mainland.

They will return for their concert engagement at the Empress Hotel on December 17.

"It was our original plan," said Leo, violinist, "to give about fifty concerts in Australia and a few more in New Zealand, but we were forced to give one hundred and fifty."

An electric furnace has been designed by a Swedish engineer, which will heat various metals to 1500 degrees Centigrade.

So, Jackie Coogan, film star, is also Jackie Coogan, officer 719 of the San Francisco police force.

"Little Robinson Crusoe" was written especially for Jackie by Willard Mack, author of "Tiger Rose" and numerous other stage successes. It is coming on Monday to the Capitol Theatre for a six days' run.

making a San Francisco story, will you and your men take part in some of the scenes and show the world what 'Frisco's finest can do?"

"You're on," said Dan O'Brien, and the next day the pick of San Francisco's police force were out in parade uniform, headed by their chief.

After the scenes were taken, Jackie and his daddy offered gifts to the chief and the officers participating in the picture, but they were graciously refused, so instead, Jackie presented a large cheque to the community chest of the northern California city, following which Chief O'Brien swore the littlest star into the service of the San Francisco police force.

There are few American stage stars who are unselfish enough to give the theatre-goers of the smaller cities an opportunity of enjoying their work, in every play they appear in, and Mitzi, most popular of all musical comedy headliners, is among the foremost of these unselfish ones. This adorable little artist delights in visiting the smaller centres of population everywhere and sees to it that no city is slighted with each of her new musical plays. She is therefore, repaid by adoration on the part of hundreds of thousands of enthusiastic "Mitzi fans" everywhere who await her annual visit to show their appreciation. In her latest and greatest offering, "The Magic Ring," in which she will play an engagement of one night only at the Royal Victoria Theatre, tomorrow, Mitzi is making a tour of the East and Middle West directly following her triumphs in this delightful fantastic comedy-with-music in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago, before she offers it to the theatre-goers of Chicago. A treat out of the ordinary is therefore, confidently expected.

AMUSEMENTS

The Screen
Capitol—Jackie Coogan in "Little Robinson Crusoe."
Coliseum—"The Man Who Fights Alone" starring William Farnum, Catherine Calvert in "Out to Win."
Dominion—"Racing Luck," featuring Monty Banks.
Playhouse—Alma Rubens in "The Rejected Woman."
The Stage
Royal—"The Magic Ring" (Monday only).

MITZI HAJOS HERE TOMORROW AT ROYAL

World Famous Musical Comedy Star to Appear in "The Magic Ring," Latest and Greatest Offering

There are few American stage stars who are unselfish enough to give the theatre-goers of the smaller cities an opportunity of enjoying their work, in every play they appear in, and Mitzi, most popular of all musical comedy headliners, is among the foremost of these unselfish ones. This adorable little artist delights in visiting the smaller centres of population everywhere and sees to it that no city is slighted with each of her new musical plays. She is therefore, repaid by adoration on the part of hundreds of thousands of enthusiastic "Mitzi fans" everywhere who await her annual visit to show their appreciation. In her latest and greatest offering, "The Magic Ring," in which she will play an engagement of one night only at the Royal Victoria Theatre, tomorrow, Mitzi is making a tour of the East and Middle West directly following her triumphs in this delightful fantastic comedy-with-music in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago, before she offers it to the theatre-goers of Chicago. A treat out of the ordinary is therefore, confidently expected.

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Playhouse Theatre tomorrow and remains for six days. Inasmuch as this picture has as its keynote the desire of all girls for lovely things, distinctive Pictures Corporation obtained the services of the most prominent dress designer in New York—Adrian, who does the work for the Music Box Revue and the other smart fashion productions of the Metropolis. Adrian is a twenty-one-year-old boy who studied in Europe and who at the age of nineteen had achieved foremost rank in the New York field of design.

In the supporting cast of "The Rejected Woman," which was directed by Albert Parker, will be seen Wyndham Standing, George MacQuarrie, Bela Lugosi, the Hungarian Barrymore, Antonio D'Algy, a brother of Helena, "Follies" beauty, Mauv La-Violette, French actress; Fred Burton and Aubrey Smith.

CHINESE LONGER DIES
NANAIMO, Dec. 12.—Yip Dick, a Chinese, 24, died in the Ladyamb Hospital yesterday from injuries sustained Monday while at work in a logging camp at Extension. The remains were brought to McAdie's Undertaking Parlor, Nanaimo, pending an inquest.



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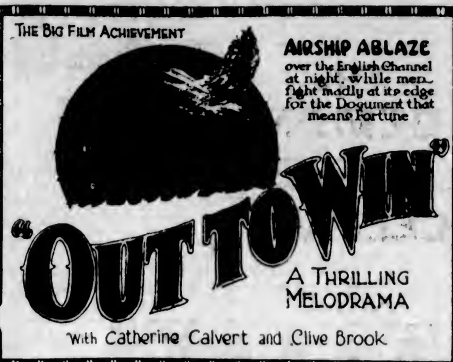
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December is seldom the best of months for recitals. People are too occupied with their Christmas plans, as a rule, to feel in the proper spirit for listening to music. But despite this a fair-sized and decidedly appreciative audience was at the Empress Hotel on Thursday evening to hear the Victoria Philharmonic Society in its second symphony concert. Under the able direction of Mr. Lou Turner the musicians gave a highly creditable programme, ambitious in character, and on the whole performed in a manner which maintains the high hopes entertained for this organization after its initial appearance here some weeks ago. The assisting artist, Mr. Frank Partridge, proved a warm favorite, his two groups of songs winning him warm applause and recalls for three encores.

The outstanding things on the programme were the brilliant Scherzo from Beethoven's Third Symphony; the Largo from Dvorak's "New World Symphony"; the ballet music from Ponchielli's "Cecilia"; and a selection from "Madame Butterfly" (Puccini). The strings did particularly good work in the Beethoven number, under concertmaster Miss Gladys Shragel. The Largo movement from the Dvorak Symphony was cleverly dealt with, the two themes being clearly distinguished, first by the horn, second by the flute and oboe.

Other numbers on the programme which were greatly enjoyed were the Schubert symphonic poem, "Erlking"; which revealed much sympathy and imagination on the part of the conductor, and the seductive and melodious music from "Madame Butterfly."

Mr. Partridge's baritone is of a peculiarly pleasing quality, and he takes the trouble to interpret his songs so that its inner meaning is apparent to the listener. His first number was the Jocelyn "Cradle Song" with "Cello" obbligato by Harold Taylor, and for an encore to this he sang "Calm as the Night." In his second group he gave Campbell Tipton's "Spirit Pleasure," for his two encores adding "Rhythm" and "Mazurka," both very well sung.

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Advance news of the pantomime, "Beauty and the Beast," which will be staged by Mr. Reginald Hinks at the Royal Victoria Theatre, commencing December 26, are that it will be far and above the finest and funniest pantomime that he has ever staged. The cast has been augmented to fifty people, including thirty

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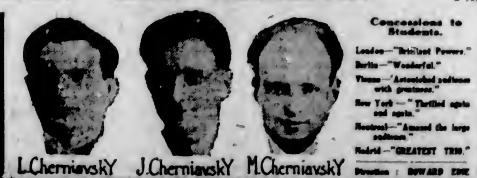
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Discovering the Recipe for the Ideal Wife

Thomas J. Gallup, Successful Money-Maker and Bachelor, Finds That His Thoughts Upon the Meaning of Everything Are Taking an Unexpected Turn

By BOOTH TARKINGTON

DR. PARSONS, coming into the hospital room of his most affluent convalescent, Thomas J. Gallup, found that amiable bachelor sitting picturesquely beside an open window. Almost touching the window, the upper foliage of a maple tree, just come into leaf, trembled and sparkled in the sunshine; but the bright window and bright trees were mere background; for Mr. Gallup himself was surprisingly decorative this morning, the physician observed.

His grayish hair, grown longer during his illness than in the fashion, was becomingly smoothed; and, in his dark silk dressing-gown, and with a neat stock about his throat, he had much the flavor of an early Nineteenth Century portrait of a thin but cheerful gentleman.

Dr. Parsons's greeting went first to the comely nurse, who had just completed the composition of this portrait; in fact, she was returning a pair of silver hair brushes to the dressing table.

"You're making quite a swell of your patient, I see, Miss Cropey," the doctor said. "You've been looking to look more like an elderly John Keats than an American tired business man."

A Revealing Expression
She laughed, but she also blushed a little, as Parsons was somewhat interested to observe. "I don't see the elderly part of it so much, she said, and, with a friendly side-glance at her patient, which he returned with a look of devoted gratitude, she withdrew lightly from the room.

"Don't let her flatter you," Parsons said, and then, seeing that Mr. Gallup was smiling at the door just closed by the good-looking nurse, he inquired: "Have I your attention?"

"What?" Gallup asked, then replied hastily. "Yes, of course. Certainly you have my attention."

"I was about to offer a comment on what appears to be a contradiction," the doctor said, looking at him rather sharply. "Yesterday and the day before, when I was here, you insisted that no such condition as happiness could exist for any human being. But this morning your expression would indicate you must safely be called a happy man."

The True Aristocracy
"I am," Gallup returned promptly, but at once corrected himself. "I mean I think I am. For the moment I've forgotten how unhappy I really am, and so I'm under the delusion that I'm happy."

"That's interesting. Perhaps you've discovered the way to join your aristocracy. It that what makes you happy?"

"My aristocracy?" the patient inquired vaguely. "I don't—"

"Yesterday you said there were only two classes of people in the world. One class consisted of most of us ordinary people; the other was the aristocracy. You defined an aristocrat as a person who looks down from the height of understanding upon all his impulses, desires, 'reactions' and so forth, and then, regardless of his urgings, chooses to shape his conduct to conform with the direction his observation has shown him that Nature—or what you called the 'urge' to happiness—intends him to take. You said that you were going to join the aristocracy, and that you'd think it over and tell me how you meant to set about doing it. I suppose you've discovered the method and that's what makes you think you're happy this morning."

"Yes, I remember," Gallup said. "I don't what makes me think I'm happy, but I did think it over. In fact, I talked about it with Miss Cropey for an hour or so; and I believe her suggestions gave me considerable light. I've concluded that the way to become a member of the true aristocracy is to think of yourself as if you were some other person."

"Argue" and "Hedonism"
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"And would you think other persons as if they were yourself?"

"If you want to understand them, yes, that might help," Gallup said. "But to get an understanding of yourself seems to me the first step toward joining the higher class of mankind. I must look at myself as if I were a man interesting to me merely as a specimen, so to speak. I must see myself as a specimen whose 'urges' and 'reactions' should be considered from an impersonal standpoint."

"For instance, last year I was clamoring for the income tax to be reduced on incomes the size of my own. The taxes on higher incomes than mine appeared to me so much less unjustly injurious; and in that way I am like the mob. A man of the mob feels that he is as worthy as any other man. He doesn't think this over and try to find out if it's actually true; he just feels it, and acts upon what he feels. Well, if I feel that I'm as deserving as anybody else, I have naturally a feeling that it's wrong for anybody else to have much more property than I have. Anybody who has much more seems to have got it unfairly—to have taken advantage of me in some way. So I join in the cry, 'Tax those scoundrels!'"

"But if I have become one of the true aristocracy, I resist that impulse. I say to myself, 'My friend, it may or may not be proper that the taxes should fall heavily upon incomes larger than your own—it is a question to be solved by the science of economics—but what makes you rely on the subject is mere vulgar selfishness. You are shouting loudly about 'principles of government,' whereas what you really mean is that you want to keep your money and have other people pay the taxes. The fellow with less than you is trying to stick you to pay his, and so it goes down the line of the whole mob. The truth is not in you until you cease to be of the mob.'"

Building and Ugliness
The doctor laughed. "So you were just one of the mob up to the day I sent you out here for your operation, were you, Gallup?"

"I'm afraid so. I was just a blind miser of my own business. Of course I didn't mean I was going altogether wrong, Parsons. Not at all. I wasn't listening on the fence, looking at my neighbor's big woodpile and saying, 'Some people have all the luck!' At least I was producing, helping to build, and entitled to a little pride on that account. After all, work that builds something is the only satisfactory occupation in life."

"Are you sure?" the doctor said. "What about work that builds something ugly?"

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"But you don't even know whom I'm going to—"

"It's Miss Cropey, naturally. I knew it a week ago."

"You couldn't possibly," Gallup protested. "It wasn't settled until this very morning. I asked her not half-an-hour before you came in. So how could you—"

Living In a Fairer World

"Whatever I do, I'll do deliberately, without the old blind rush; and I'll take time to look about me, time to think, and also time for a little enjoyment. Perhaps my enjoyment may take the form of philanthropy—or golf—or both. I'm sure if life is an infinite ladder, we ought to make platforms on it, here and there, where we can get our breath and rest a little. I've been beginning to learn how to do that—"

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—that is to say, our morals. Well, we go out into the world, free of our mothers' supervision, but deep within ourselves we remember it and crave it. We know it was good for us, no matter how much we enjoy being on the loose. Now for years you've believed yourself a fine example of a 'typical bachelor.' You've laughed at men who had to ask their wives' permission to come down town in the evening—you laughed because you saw married life from an outsider's viewpoint only. Wives in general have appeared to you as bosses, and husbands as the bossed.

"You've rejoiced that you were not a captive; you've peered at the captivity of husbands; and yet, all the while, though you didn't know it, you had within you the longing to be bossed, yourself—to be bossed the way your mother used to boss you."

Emancipated People
"But now you're stepping out, as I understand you," the doctor said. "You're going to be one of the few emancipated people—the world aristocracy—who refuse to act upon their own motives."

"Yes, I am," said Gallup. "But I may be just as much of a booster and builder as ever, when you let me get back to it. Whatever I do, though, I'll do deliberately, without the old blind rush; and I'll take time to look about me, time to think, and also time for a little enjoyment. Perhaps my enjoyment may take the form of philanthropy—or golf—or both. I'm sure if life is an infinite ladder, we ought to make platforms on it, here and there, where we can get our breath and rest a little."

"We're beginning to learn how to do that. For instance, in my father's youth I don't suppose there was a Country Club in the United States. Men belonged to the militia or the volunteer fire department, and sometimes they went hunting or fishing, but there wasn't so much recreation as there is today. It was considered the proper thing to be up early on Monday morning and work pretty steadily until all o'clock Saturday evening, winter and summer, until you were too old to work at all."

"Nowadays we don't hold so strongly to that view. It began to break up with the coming of Country Clubs in my own youth; nowadays the great public parks are everybody's Country Clubs, and yachting—touring by automobile. Only a few years ago that was a distinguished amusement of the rich; but if there's an I.W.W. who must refrain out of prejudice. On the whole, Parsons, the world is a pleasant place to live in than it used to be, and I've decided to take some part in its pleasures instead of being the buried alive I was until you stopped me."

Deduced from Experience
"And that decision is what makes you think you're so happy this morning?"

"Yes," Gallup answered, looking out of the window at the maple tree's tremulous foliage twinkling in the sunshine. Then he turned to the doctor and smiled with a guilty hardness. "I've decided—that is we—we're going to be married, Parsons."

He seemed to expect surprise, if not shock, to follow his announcement; but the surprise was all his own, for Parsons remained inscrutably placid. "Yes," he said. "Naturally I supposed so."

"You did?" the convalescent exclaimed. "What on earth made you—"

"My dear man, I've had a little experience of most things during thirty years of practice. You're forty-four and a bachelor. For the last fifteen years you've been living at a club. Not since you were a boy at home have you known what it means to have a woman in charge of you, of course. I saw what the result must be."

"But you don't even know whom I'm going to—"

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woman, and I asked her if she was always that way. She said she believed she was, and I asked her how she managed it. Well, she thought a minute, then said, 'It's due to my husband, I guess. We've been married fifteen years and he's always just as polite to me as if I was a perfect stranger!'"

Congenial Ground
"Now, that strikes me as pretty important, Parsons. As a requisite for an ideal husband I believe I'd put it before what we call the moral qualities, though of course he'd have to have them too. He'd have to give his wife the pleasure of respecting him. He'd even have to give her the chance to be proud of him. Naturally, it's mighty valuable to a woman to see that her husband's respected by other people, but she can get along without that if she can be proud of him herself."

Parsons laughed again. "I'm afraid you're asking for rather Sunday-School-book virtues in your 'ideal husband,' Gallup."

"I don't think it's generally the fault of the wives," Gallup suggested. "It's hard to say," the doctor laughed, more and more amused with his friend's earnestness. "Well, what's the next requisite for your perfect husband?"

"He ought to study his wife. He ought to find out secretly the things she does, or is, that she'd like him to appreciate, and he ought to show his appreciation. Then he oughtn't always to do the expected thing. He ought to give her little surprises. I mean surprises of the kind he's certain she likes—others might be dangerous. He ought to put some extra Christmas and birthdays into her life, from time to time."

"He ought even to be a little extravagant about giving her feminine things—though by this I don't mean he ought to surprise her with expensive hats of his own selection. But if now and then he discovers that she's secretly longing for something she thinks too expensive—or involving too much selfishness on her part—and if he dashingly buys it for her and surprises her with it, I think he's helping to build himself up as a good husband. At least, I'm pretty sure his wife would think him one."

The Ideal Wife
"His wife," Parsons repeated thoughtfully. "We haven't said much about his wife's part, we've been talking so much about what the perfect husband will have to be. What about her, Gallup? I suppose you've given the reciprocal side of matrimony some consideration?"

"Yes," Gallup said. "I've thought as much about the ideal wife as I have about the ideal husband."

"Your opinion should be interesting, then. How would you define the ideal wife, Gallup? Can you give a definition?"

"Yes," the convalescent returned gravely. "I think it's simple. There are freaks and exceptions always, but in general it's pretty safe to deal with life on the principle that people will do unto you as you do unto them. An ideal wife is any woman who is married to an ideal husband."

The doctor looked surprised; evidently he was expecting his friend's definition to be more elaborate. "Well, I don't know," he began. "I can't say offhand that my experience would agree with—"

But at this moment the beaming Miss Cropey opened the door and, carrying her devoted patient's lunch upon a tray, approached him with obvious pleasure.

The doctor decided to postpone his argument to another day. (Copyright, 1924, by Metropolitan Newspaper Service, New York)



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By DONALD B. MACMILLAN

In hunting musk-oxen and polar bear in the Far North our dogs deserve all the credit. When game is sighted these powerful animals fairly whirl us through space. Thin ice, rough ice, deep snows, pressure ridges, steep hill and deep gullies are all taken on the jump and with apparent ease. They land us on the ground ready for action, within easy rifle range and in no real danger. Shooting musk-oxen is like shooting sheep. To kill a polar bear surrounded by dogs cannot be called sport.

Summer Returns
Summer has come. The sun is high in the heavens in its six month's circle. The cliffs are awarming with birds. The flocks are fairly vibrating with the whirring of wings. The waters are alive with elder ducks, old squaws, gulls and brant. The harbor ice is breaking into big pans and drifting off towards the south. Mingling with the melodious mating cry of elders and the musical call of the old squaws we hear the discordant note of the giant walrus, the real fighter of the North, and the only really dangerous animal. The dogs are at rest stretched at full length in the warm sun along the bank of the brook. Their work for the year is over. We must now do it alone without the aid of these faithful servants. The walrus meets you on equal grounds. You are to pit all your training, your experience, your skill, your strength, and your head against an animal which is king in his native element and the Eskimo does this in a paper-thin skin kayak, eighteen feet long, twenty inches wide and nine inches deep.

When I recall my exciting hunting experiences, my first thrill should come first. In 1908 the S.S. Roosevelt, under the command of R. E. Peary, was in Ingfield Gulf in search of meat for our 230 dogs. A large pan of ice was slightly covered with walrus sound asleep in the sun. I was ordered to take charge of one of the whalers, take George Borup and Hosen Murphy as assistants, and with an Eskimo crew attack the herd. Being a novice at this kind of sport and unfamiliar with the extremely difficult Eskimo language, I am a bit perplexed as to just what course to pursue to get results.

Boys Dose as Kayak Nees
The four Eskimos placed their harpoons, killing irons, floats, drags and lines in the boat. We tumbled in, were lowered away to the water's edge, unhooked tackle, and rowed toward the pan. When within one hundred yards, one or two old bulls lifted their heads and sleepily looked us over.

Making signs to Murphy to take the steering bar, I made my way quietly between the rowing Eskimos toward the bow, clutching my 351 Winchester automatic. I crouched down beside Borup, who was nervously coking and uncoking his high-power Sauer. To our astonishment, we reached within twenty yards and yet not a movement. I motioned to the Eskimos to take in their oars and get their harpoons ready. Murphy was now quietly sculling the boat forward. Our twenty yards had now shortened to fifty—ten—five!

I had reasoned that I must place the natives within throwing distance of their harpoons. They were ejaculating under their breath and burning with excitement, wondering if we were going to try to catch them with our hands! The only Eskimo



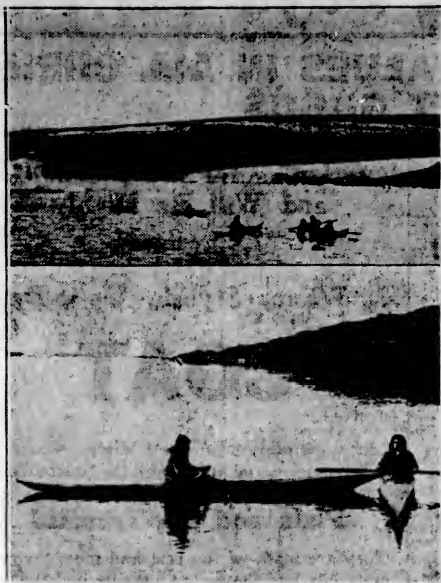
Arctic Native, With Harpoon, Ready for Hunt

word was "Ib-ll"—you. This we whispered with a good deal of stress. They shook their long black hair with an emphatic "Ib-ll!"—No, you! In the meantime the sleeping family was stirring. One who looked like the father of all lifted his great head and tusks and critically examined the approaching boat. It was very evident that the natives wanted us to begin shooting.

"Take the big one on the left, George! I'll take the one on the edge of the pan, right!" I whispered excitedly. We fired together. Mine dropped his big head and thumped on the ice. "Got him!" yelled Borup, referring to his own, which the high-powered Sauer had apparently killed on the spot.

The boat now had her nose against the ice, and so close to several of the great dark brown hairless bodies that I might easily have touched them with my hand. Heavens, what a rum-pus we had created! Everything

On Look-Out for Arctic Tuskers



Eskimo Kayaks Setting Out on Walrus Hunt

vate in the ranks, and there I was content to remain.

A big herd was discovered feeding about a quarter mile from our tent, pitched near the Sonituk Glacier. With four Eskimos I circled around the Eskimos, watching for an opportunity to cut one out. Several cows few minutes there was a swirl beneath and all around us. Heads broke water in all directions—eyes red with pain and anger, flashing white tusks, and a perfect din of that undecipherable raucous battle cry. "My God, they are coming!" yelled Borup.

No one can adequately describe what followed. It all remains in my mind as a confused jumble. I pulled



A Slain Walrus Hauled Out on the Ice Preparatory to Skinning

the trigger of the automatic as rapidly as I could snap in the cartridge clips. Borup worked the bolt of his Sauer faster than it had ever been worked before. The Eskimos jumped up and down in the boat, pounded the rails with oars and killing irons, and yelled their loudest. All apparently had no effect whatever! The herd rushed and surrounded the boat.

Two big bulls lunged out of the water and hooked their tusks over the rail of the boat under our rifle barrels. Borup stuck his rifle almost into the mouth of one and pulled the trigger. With a gurgle he dropped back and disappeared. As if an alarm retreat note had been sounded, every head, tusks, and back was gone. An almost evil stillness followed. The blood-stained waters subsided.

We looked at each other in astonishment. What next, was our question. Was this merely a momentary cessation of hostilities or were the forces gathering for a renewed attack? Two hundred yards away the herd broke water, looking back over their shoulders, and fairly tearing away from the scene of battle. The leaders had been killed; the mob had weakened.

Four had been harpooned as the four bobbing floats indicated. Three others, badly wounded, were swimming in circles, endeavoring to keep their heads above water. Quick work by our Eskimos doubled up the floats in the walrus. The wounded were harpooned and shot. We waved our hats to the Roosevelt, which lay well to leeward.

Boys Kill Baby Seals

The skilled Eskimo walrus hunter has received his training from boyhood. He was in the kayak almost before he could walk, held in his father's lap. He has been at home in this frail boat from the age of eight. He began by darting birds with a small light spear. The day came when he harpooned his first seal, an unsuspecting baby seal playing on the surface of the glassy fiord. Later he attempted the watchful square flipper and failed and failed again. But at last, too, was added to his list, and now remained the white whale, the narwhal, and the most difficult of all, the walrus; difficult because of the many precautions to be observed, because of the uncertainty as to just what this animal will do, and because of the strength demanded to hurl the harpoon, dragging its rawhide rope from a sitting posture with sufficient force to bury the cutting point deep through the thick skin into the flesh.

Can a white man do this without the preparatory years of training? Can a white man settle down in the North, support his family, and what is more difficult, feed his dogs? Hitherto, I had followed the Eskimo in my kayak, ready to photograph whatever might be of interest; I decided to answer this question for myself.

To my surprise I succeeded in harpooning three walrus from my kayak with only one miss, and began to feel like a native. My fourth experience reduced me to the lowest pri-

rounded back offering an easy target, and at the same time concealing me from view. When within eight feet I reached for my harpoon lying within easy reach under my right arm.

The natives seemed strangely reluctant to approach within twenty yards, which should have meant more to me than it did. As I studied the herd, I noted that a medium

sized bull, one which weighed perhaps 1,500 pounds, appeared repeatedly in the same spot, distant possibly some ten yards from the main herd, offering me an opportunity to shoot in between him and the outer circle of heads. I cautiously worked around behind the animal and waited patiently for his reappearance. He broke water head from me, and in a perfect position for the best kind of work. I dug the paddle deep into the water and jumped the kayak ahead at full speed; for much of the driving power of the harpoon depends upon the momentum of the boat.

The walrus lay unsuspecting, munching a mouthful of clams, his head partly submerged and his great

At this critical moment every movement must follow the other with clocklike precision. Economy of motion is imperative. The slightest mistake in judgment may be disastrous. In raising the harpoon over my right shoulder I dropped it! Before I could grab it again the kayak had forged ahead and lay up against the rounded brown body!

Fortunately the animal lay for a brief second or two with his head under water. I knew well what would happen when his eyes broke water. One quick side jab with those strong white tusks and my kayak would be ripped into pieces. The slightest movement of my paddle in an attempt to get away would tell Mr. Walrus that I had arrived unexpectedly and without invitation. There was only one thing to do and do it quickly—hit first.

The harpoon had hardly left my hand when I grabbed it again, lifted it high above my head, and drove it with all my strength deep down into his body, using it as I would a dagger. Heavens, what a jump! He reared up on his hind flippers with a hoarse cry, his head and shoulders well above mine, seated in the nine-inch thick, frail skin boat.

I never felt so much like repeating the exclamation of a boyhood chum many years ago, "Mister, it wasn't me!"—nor have I ever felt so miserably small.

Just why this infuriated animal didn't finish me there and then I do not know. One blow would have rolled my boat bottom up, and once in this position one might just as well begin the "Now I lay me." The South Greenland Eskimo rolls completely over and paddles off; the North Greenlanders hang dead down in the water and drown.

Digs Into the Water
I didn't wait to placate my host, or attempt to explain my presence. I grabbed the paddle and dug into the water, striking the body of the grip on something. With a tremendous splash the animal fell to one side and disappeared. There was no

time for self-congratulation. I could not direct my course away from the wounded walrus on my right. There were a dozen heads and backs breaking water close aboard on my left.

By a strange system of wireless which for many years I have thought animals to possess, for their actions can be explained in no other way when too far for sight or sound, the whole herd were instantly aware of the fact that one of their number had been attacked. It was high time for me to move. No one was ever more convinced that he wasn't wanted.

I shot left and away a bit to avoid my recent acquaintance, the one with

the harpoon sticking in his back, then right around two intercepting my course, then left again and out around the herd to rejoin the Eskimos, who sat in their kayaks apparently stunned, but with a "What a fool!" expression written all over their faces.

I have decided to go back to my camera again and let E-took-a-shoo, Ka-ko-tee-a, Oo-bloo-ya and other men with unpronounceable names, do the harpooning. They are experts and love the game.

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Vases, each \$1.75, \$2.85, \$3.95 and \$4.45
Jardiniere. Each \$6.85
Fruit Sets, 7 pieces. Set \$12.25
Sandwich Trays. Each \$3.85
Salad Bowls. Each \$4.45
Bonbons. Each \$5.95 and \$8.50
Bonbons. Each \$5.00 and \$1.75
Fern Pots. Each \$3.95
—China-ware, Lower Main Floor

Christmas Gifts That Beautify the Home STANDARD LAMPS

Mahogany Finished Table Lamp Standards, 16 inches high, with two lights. At, each \$9.00
Cart Wheel Old Rose Lamp Shades, all-silk. Exceptional value, each \$8.00
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Junior Polychrome Lamp Standards, assorted finishes. Special value at, each \$11.75
Lamp Shades, in latest shapes; assorted colors. Special, each \$15.50
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—Furniture, 2nd Floor

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New edition of The Life and Letters of Walter H. Page \$3.50
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Memories of Ninety Years, by Mrs. E. M. Ward \$5.00
—Lower Main Floor

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—Groceries, Lower Main Floor

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Many Fine Values

"Wolsey" Brand, Imported All-Wool Cashmere Socks. Colors and black. A pair 75¢
Men's All-Wool Cashmere Socks. Colors and black, with fancy silk embroidered clocks. A pair \$1.00 and \$1.00
Men's Fine Cotton Socks. Shades camel and black. Special, pair, 25¢
Men's Fine Mercerized Lisle Silk Socks, Silkolene brand, with double soles. Colors and black. A pair will make a fine Christmas gift. Special, a pair 40¢
2 pairs for 75¢
Men's Art Silk and Wool Socks in two-tone shades. Very dressy, and big value at, pair 75¢
—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor



SHOP
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DAYS

VICTORIA STORES PREPARED FOR HOLIDAY TRADE AND OFFER A GREAT SELECTION

Nine More Buying Days Remain Before Christmas, and "Shop Early" Campaign Has Already Shown Results—Abundance of Money Is Noted by Merchants—Dealers Give Suggestions for Gifts That Will Be Appreciated

WITH Christmas less than eleven days away it behooves folk who have not already given some attention to their shopping to settle down to a serious consideration of what they are giving father, mother, sister, wife, husband or "the kids." The very small minority who are constitutionally unable to lie in bed in the morning, who would feel it an eternal disgrace to be at the station less than a quarter of an hour before the train leaves, and who vainly set the good example of being at concerts and lecture-halls five or ten minutes before the programme begins, have no need to read this warning. They composed the little pre-Christmas flurry of shoppers who were already enlivening the streets of a Saturday afternoon some weeks ago; by this time, no doubt, their gifts for overseas will have reached their destinations, while it is safe to predict that somewhere in the punctual and well-ordered scheme of their lives they have a cupboard with neatly-wrapped and gaily-stamped packages all ready for mailing in a few days' time to the intended recipients.

But most people are not so constituted. And that is why there is always "the Christmas rush," a very joyous festival period in the sense that it gives remembrance afterwards to the weary shop assistants as well as to the disappointed shoppers who have trailed about with increasingly wearied feet in quest of something which in this eleventh hour hurry they cannot find.

Shop Early
"Shop early!" "Shop early!"
If the merchants of Victoria employed an old-fashioned crier at this time of the year it would be to din

have been sent a week or more ago) should be got away first. Then come Christmas cards and gifts that go by mail or messenger in town. After that come the gifts for the family, something for each member of the Christmas gathering to place under the Christmas tree or in the stocking. Pretty wrappings and "stickers" must be remembered, also the decorations for the Christmas tree. The stationers and electric fitting shops will provide pretty lights, candles, tinsel and baubles.

The "shop early" campaign has certainly had its results. One of the biggest firms in the city points proudly to a two-hundred-foot length of shelf on which have been placed all the things which papa has paid for out of his cheque book already in order to insure that Santa Claus will not find a shortage at the last moment of the particular kind of giant doll, "scotch" express wagon or mechanical builder specified by the trusting son or daughter. The shops have never been prettier than they are this year. Three or four of the bigger firms have expended themselves, regardless of expense, on decoration which employ not only great quantities of sweet-smelling cedar and fir, but poinsettias, holly, glittering ribbons and scented festoons. One store has finger-points pointing the way to different departments and indirectly suggesting ideas for gifts. One of the older Government Street shops exhibits a sense of practical humor in this period of rainy days and ubiquitous colds, displaying where

they can be seen just as one enters the door a combination of the newest things in pygmy umbrellas and handkerchiefs. Another big concern which has many departments that it may justly be defined as "one hundred stores under one roof," lets the customer take his own sweet will—which means that he generally follows the main line of traffic and fetches up among the ponies and other animal friends of Santa Claus.

For the Children

"There is apparently abundance of money everywhere. This is what one of the gratified but hurried managers informed The Colonist in reply to a question as to the character of the Christmas shopping this year. There is a bigger business than ever in all the toy shops and toy departments. Everything that is popular than ever. And as one passes table after table of dolls, stuffed animals on wheels, dolls' houses and little kitchen sets, furniture, etc.; mechanical toys operating either by springs or electricity on real little tracks; realistic reproductions of the John Bull Street bridge, opening and closing to let through the water craft of different kinds; balls, balloons, sand buckets, motor cars, to mention in fact everything from A to Z in the toy catalogue—one wonders if there is any real invention for adult man's use which has not had its miniature reproduction for the little folk. The store is numerous "pet shops" to be considered also. To some children a real live kitten, puppy, or bird is better than a whole menagerie of stuffed pets. And there are the sports shops and cutlery shops with their suggestions for the covered fishing-tackle, shiny new knife with secret blades and other attachments, etc.

For the Grown-Up

The problem of buying Christmas gifts for the grown-up members of the family is tremendously minimized in this practical age. No longer does one have to consider a gift as the conveyor of some rare and delicate sentiment. "This does not mean that millady disdain the pretty and the exquisite thing, a beautiful diamond, a costly fur, or a great sheaf of flowers, but it is no longer considered "unromantic" to give some practical thing of common use. Even electric washing machines have been ordered as Christmas gifts at several places. Among the more expensive presents which are known to be reserved for unsuspecting recipients are motor cars, pianos and pianolas, and beautiful imported evening frocks. The blouse is no longer the modest thing of several years ago. The new long-tunic effects bring this article of millady's wardrobe almost into the same category as a frock. Fur-trimmed coats and handkerchiefs this year eclipse anything previously shown in color, design and delicacy of material. Gloves, silk lingerie, hosiery, imported de china, and silk scarves, leather handbags (in the new under-the-arm and envelope shapes), silk sweaters and millinery in fancy boxes, perfumes, ivory toilet sets, or any of the hundred and one useful and necessary things which are so aptly suggested in any of the big display counters or shop windows. There are stores which specialize in household linen, carpets, draperies, etc.; others in some of the daintier imported linens, embroidered pillow-slips, tablecloths, initial handkerchiefs. It is a little bit surprising to learn how much of this kind of article that is imported from the Old Land goes back there in the form of Christmas gifts owing to the fact that it is easy and cheap to mail compared with many bulkier articles.

Present-searching for the mere man has always offered a problem. But a little roundabout questioning will discover the favorite tobacco, pipe, cigarette. Or, if "smokes" do not find favor, then there are socks, handkerchiefs, gloves, neckties (this is a very difficultly-made suggestion in fancy boxes, perfumes, ivory toilet sets, or any of the hundred and one useful and necessary things which are so aptly suggested in any of the big display counters or shop windows. There are stores which specialize in household linen, carpets, draperies, etc.; others in some of the daintier imported linens, embroidered pillow-slips, tablecloths, initial handkerchiefs. It is a little bit surprising to learn how much of this kind of article that is imported from the Old Land goes back there in the form of Christmas gifts owing to the fact that it is easy and cheap to mail compared with many bulkier articles.

The photograph is an interchangeable gift. It is probably one of the most unerringly-favored among friends, and may be depended on "to fill the need" if all other suggestions seem inadequate.

Christmas Dinner
Christmas dinner should be planned at least a week beforehand. The butcher should be consulted about the turkey, goose, or joint; there is always the possibility that if left too late the best of the stock will be sold. And in this connection the needs of the gift-bearer should be remembered as well as the family table. The baker and confectioner must be consulted well in advance about the Christmas cake, mince

Here Are Rules For Christmas Buying

Hints for Christmas shoppers in this most fascinating of shopping seasons:

Start it now. Get your pick of early stocks. Get fresh goods. Get helpful service from not-yet-exhausted clerks.

Budget. Figure out what Christmas gifts you need, and for whom, and get those gifts. Try not to omit anyone and be rushed for time and money on the late afternoon of the twenty-fourth of December. Keep within your actual means—you'll want to live and buy food, between Christmas and January first.

Keep your temper. Other people want to do Christmas shopping as well as you. Of course, they'll be in your way—but you also will be in theirs. The Christmas spirit works both ways. Make your shopping a training for the day itself.

Buy needed things for needy persons first of all. Next, buy wanted things, not strictly needed, for wanting but not strictly needed persons. Buy "remembrances" for those you desire to "remember," and buy gimcracks after that. But—buy for children always, so that their faces will glow. That isn't hard.

plea, and whatever sweets are wanted. Fresh and candied fruits, ice cream for the children's party, Christmas crackers, etc., must not be overlooked in making up the shopping list.

The last few days before Christmas brings the postman into special popularity. While the stores are urging early shopping the post office is urging early mailing. Christmas cards for local delivery should be posted by Monday, December 22, at least. This will not only secure their receipt before Christmas Day, but will also give "postie" the rest he so richly deserves. Parcels should be in the mail much earlier.

The Christmas card has lost nothing in popularity. One firm estimates its sales to date as 10,000. There are several places where one can get an "individual" card engraved with name and personal greeting, although people the world over still seem to prefer the simple sincerity of "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Canada-Made

There is a final reminder to Christmas shoppers. Many people in their search for gifts work on the theory that the coat or evening frock manufactured in Canada must, of necessity, bear the stamp of the "home-made," and consequently slightly

gauche. Years ago there may have been some justification for this idea. But it is no longer so. Canada is in a singularly fortunate position as compared with the United States in the matter of importing textiles. Against the 105 per cent duty imposed over there under the Coolidge protective tariff, Canada pays but twenty-three per cent duty on goods. During the war, when the States felt very acutely the effect of their high tariff in keeping out British and French-made textiles, many of their great suit, coat and evening-dress manufacturers moved across to Canada in order to take advantage of the low duty on imported materials. The

result has all been to Canada's advantage. In Montreal there are scores of these men, experts in designing and cutting, who are creating beautiful and exclusive models from French and British materials. In several of the Victoria stores these gowns and wraps are to be found, beautiful productions which, either in material or cost, can American manufacturers' agents coming here begin to compete with. There is less importation from the United States in this class of merchandise than ever before.

Chocolate was a scarce article in early New England.



For the Folks in
the East, Mail

"Hoe Maid" Chocolates

It isn't a day too soon to place your order for gift boxes of these delicious Victoria Sweets. Just tell us the name and address, and we will attend to the mailing with your card enclosed. Lots of business men also solve the problem of gifts for the staff with "Hoe Maid" Chocolates. A telephone call to 3691 will insure attention to this matter.

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75c value for..... 45c
85c value, in boxes..... 65c
\$1 value, in boxes..... 85c
\$1.50 value, in boxes..... \$1.35
\$2 value, in boxes..... \$1.99

COLLAR BOXES

\$1.35, \$1.85, \$2.85

SILK SCARVES

\$2.00 Value for..... \$1.35
\$2.50 Value for..... \$1.75
\$3.75 Value for..... \$2.75

DRESS SHIRTS

\$2.25 Value for..... \$1.45
\$3.00 Value for..... \$1.95
English Broadcloth
Fawn or Blue
\$4.50 Value for..... \$2.95

MEN'S DRESSING GOWNS

\$7.75, \$10.50, \$12.50

SWEATER COATS—ALL WOOL

\$4.50 value, Cardigan style, fawn
or ivory..... \$2.95
\$4.75 value, green or brown, full
collar..... \$3.15
\$10 value, 2227 or brown..... \$5.95

ARM BANDS

20c, 35c, 45c, 75c

MEN'S PYJAMAS

\$2.50 value, for..... \$1.45
\$3.75 value, for..... \$2.85
\$4.75 value, for..... \$3.15

MEN'S SOCKS

1 pair, in all shades..... \$ for \$1
Cashmere, all shades, pair..... 65c
Rink and Wool, pair..... 65c
All-Wool, Heather, pair..... 55c

Men's Garters, 30c, 40c and 65c

RAINCOATS

\$25.00 Value, All-Wool Gabardine
for..... \$16.95

BRACES

75c Value for..... 45c
85c Value for..... 65c
\$1.00 Value for..... 85c
\$1.50 Value for..... \$1.00
\$1.75 Value for..... \$1.10

HATS AND CAPS

\$3.00 Value, Caps, for..... \$1.65
\$3.50 Value, Caps, for..... \$2.25
\$5.50 Value, Felt Hats, in all
shades, for..... \$3.45

GLOVES

Auto Gauntlets, \$4.75
Value, for..... \$3.95
Tan Unlined Dress
Gloves for..... \$1.95
Tan Lined, for..... \$2.50

A Large Selection of Underwear at Cut-Rate Prices



Santa knows that Leather Goods
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Here you will find the Finest Leathers, the Newest Styles and the Best Values. For real practicality and beauty our goods are unequalled.

Wardrobe Trunks.....	\$37.75	Ladies' Handbags, up from.....	\$1.00
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English Kit Bags.....	\$18.00	Music Cases, up from.....	\$3.00
Leather Club Bags, up from.....	\$7.50	Splendid selection of High-Grade Dressing Cases.....	
Genuine Cowhide Club Bags, up from.....	\$10.75	Manicure Sets in Leather Cases, from.....	\$4.50
Ladies' Overnight Cases.....	\$12.50	A good selection of Dog Collars and Leads.....	

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Metropolis Bldg.

Yates St.

Phone 1278

Table Decorations for the Christmas Feast



By MARJORIE HOWE DIXON.

A VERY dear friend of mine has a marked ability in arranging unusual table settings for parties, for her children or for special occasions for her friends. Her formal dinners are most dignified and beautiful.

She is a great lover of silver, and one finds her using it most appropriately during the holidays. A large-footed Sheffield flower holder, oval in shape, with ring handles filled with red roses she often uses as a centerpiece.

At a Christmas dinner which I attended, she placed the flowers on a lovely large Italian lace cloth, with a pair of silver and crystal girandoles. These girandoles have candle holders for six, from which depend crystal pendants and swags. The pair she used at either end of her table and you can imagine the brilliant effect they gave when she lighted her red candles.

This table was set for eight, using red and gold service plates with red glass goblets and Italian cut linen napkins that matched the cloth in design.

During the holiday vacation her high school daughter served a group of chattering bobbed hair girls an informal luncheon. They were delighted with the daintiness of the setting. The entire service, including bread and butter plates, was very much like Wedgwood in creamy color and were edged with a band of green. These were placed on lace mats with a low-footed glass of a clear jade green color, to decorate each place.

At each end of the table stood a tall crystal bud vase containing a single poinsettia. In the centre of the ensemble, embedded in a wreath of holly and pine branches, was a round sweet-meat box with nested china compartments filled with the most luscious sweets, nuts and preserves. The girls fully appreciated this.

My friend gave a children's party for her grammar school youngsters and their friends. There was a squeal of delight when the door opened to their playroom and they beheld "their party."

It had been a grand secret about the house for a week just what

mother was going to have for them. And here it was before their eyes.

Of course, they saw the ice cream first. But such funny ice cream. Sitting on a red plate was an ice cream man built along the bulbous lines of a snow man, with black candy dots for features and buttons, and crowned with a green gum-drop hat. So fascinating were the solemn men that the children almost forgot the complete array of the table. Mother had provided low green mugs with handles; there were four short candlesticks of bright green pottery, each holding a very elevated and slender red candle.

New delights awaited their eyes when they looked up from the demolished ice cream man and beheld a potted Christmas tree made of gumdrops at each place, while in the centre snow slide on an elevation of books. Little red and green gum-drop children raced joyously down the slide on little wooden sleds and out upon an oval table mirror, giving the effect of an ice pond, with a border of salt representing snow banks.

LONDON NIGHTS CLUBS WILL BE REFORMED

Home Secretary Announces His Intention to Remove Blot on West End by Enforcing Law

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Sweeping reforms in the conduct of London's law-breaking night clubs may be looked for with the advent of a new Home Secretary.

The People's able to state that Sir William Joynson-Hicks is giving his most serious attention to the consideration of means of removing the present scandal in London night life.

Sir William, since studying conditions in the West End, has not concealed his surprise and alarm at the

flagrant way in which the law is defied by people, mostly foreign-born waiters, who since the war have found easy fortunes in selling drink after hours in "dance clubs," which are often conducted under immoral conditions.

He realizes that until the extraordinary anomalies and injustices now prevalent are removed—the law being enforced on public houses and largely waived so far as West End night clubs, fashionable and otherwise, are concerned—there can be no sense or order in the licensing regulations of the country.

Sir William Joynson-Hicks, who has already proved his administrative abilities, is determined to do his duty and take every step to clear away a long-standing reproach to London's morals.

He moves all the more confidently

in this matter not only because of his long experience in his own profession as a solicitor, but also, as a very prominent Evangelical churchman because of his knowledge of the church's strong feeling in this matter.

TOKIO REGAINING ITS PEOPLE

TOKIO, Dec. 13.—Tokio has resumed her place as the fifth city of the world, according to a police census taken here recently. After the earthquake of September, 1923, Tokio lost a quarter of her population and dropped behind Berlin. The police enumeration shows that the city now has 1,917,000 inhabitants, a gain of 250,000 from the figure just after the earthquake, but 260,000 less than before the disaster.

Penmanship was indispensable for early day teachers.

OLD LEGENDS LURE SEARCHERS FOR GOLD

Descendants of Incas Still Hunt for Treasure Believed to Have Been Left Centuries Ago

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 13.—Descendants of the Incas along the Andes still search to this day for the hidden gold which legend says their ancestors gathered to ransom their emperor Atahualpa from the hands of the Spanish conqueror Pizarro four centuries ago, and which they never delivered because Pizarro betrayed and murdered him. The gold promised by Atahualpa was enough to fill the room where he was imprisoned as high as his neck, and is supposed to have been buried and sealed with boulders somewhere in the Andes.

Every summer, when the mountain snows have melted, groups of Indians from southern Bolivia and northwestern Argentina, pursue their quest, armed with picks and some of them carrying explosives to blow away the boulders which are supposed to cover the treasure. Last summer a number of them who had climbed Cerro Colorado in Argentine territory, came across a mound of stones evidently piled by human hands. The stones were solidly fixed in a sort of concrete and resisted their picks. Then with dynamite they blew the mound open. The golden treasure they had hoped to see was not there, but instead the undamaged and well preserved mummy of an Inca chief. A few silver trinkets and a huge, strange disc of copper had been entombed with him, but no gold.

The Indians carried their late ancestor to the town of Salta and irreverently sold him a few weeks

ago to Justo Ducas, an archaeological collector of Buenos Aires, who has brought him here and tells the story of the discovery. The mummy wears a crown of parrot's feathers as fresh as if they had just been plucked, and a curious blanket of black and white check with an embroidered red fringe. The long hair is plaited. A bone tag attached to the crown denotes he was of high rank.

SILENT POLICEMAN

A new \$350 silent policeman, erected at a busy street intersection in Thompsonville, Conn., paid for itself in two weeks as the result of arrests for failure to pass to the right of the traffic signal. Autoists from almost every town in the northern part of the state contributed to the improvement in assessments, ranging from \$2.40 to \$18.31.

Pope Sends Aid to Typhoon Sufferers

MANILA, Dec. 13.—Pope Pius XI has cabled \$50,000 lire to the Roman Catholic diocese here to be used for the benefit of those who suffered from the recent typhoon in Northern Luzon, especially in the Cagayan valley.

The typhoon, which occurred during the first week in October, blew down thousands of small nipa houses along the Cagayan river and the floods destroyed a large part of the crops in the valley. Approximately fifty natives were drowned.

The greatest depth at which gold has as yet been excavated from the earth is 4,300 feet (more than three-fourth of a mile), at the New Chum Mine in Australia.

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We carry a large and well-assorted stock at a moderate price, and were never in a better position to suit all purses than at the present time.

Let us show you something suitable. Inspection cordially invited. See our windows.

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Ladies' Single Embroidered Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, each, 25c
75c, 50c, 35c and
Boxed Embroidered Handkerchiefs, two and three in a box; per box, \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, 50c
75c and
Ladies' Plain Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs, each, 40c, 35c, 25c and
Men's Plain Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs, each, 85c, 75c, 50c and
Men's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, all letters in stock; each, 50c
Three for \$1.25
Ladies' Colored Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, hand embroidered; all colors; each, 25c
Ladies' Hand Embroidered Night-dresses, beautifully embroidered, fine quality; each \$5.50 and \$4.50
Pure Irish Linen Guest Towels, damask borders; each, 95c, 85c, 75c and
Pure Irish Linen Towels, medium and large sizes; each, \$1.25, \$1.75, \$1.50 and
Pure Linen Figured Guest Toweling, 18 inches wide; per yard, 85c
Colored Sheer Linen, for handkerchiefs, in pink, blue, maize, lavender, green and helio; 36 inches wide; per yard, \$1.00
Handsomely Embroidered Pillow Slips, in boxes; per pair, \$2.75, \$2.50 \$2.25
Plain Hemstitched Fine Pillow Slips, medium and large sizes; each, \$1.00 and 55c
Pure Linen Plain or Embroidered Baby Pillow Slips, size 12½ x 18; each, \$1.25 and \$1.00
Brown Linen Laundry Bags, with colored embroidery; each, \$1.25

Tablecloths and Napkins

Hemmed Damask Table Napkins, size 22; six for \$2.50, \$2.00 \$1.75
Pure Irish Linen Table Napkins, sizes 22 and 24 inches; six for \$3.75, \$3.50 \$3.00
Irish Damask Tablecloths, all sizes, 36, 45, 54, 72 and 90 inches long; each, \$4.50, \$3.50, \$2.95, \$2.25, \$1.75 \$1.00
Pure Irish Linen Tablecloths, fine patterns; sizes 72 x 72, 72 x 90 and 72 x 108; each, \$8.50, \$7.50 and \$6.50
Irish Linen Napkins to match, per dozen \$6.50
Hemstitched Pure Irish Linen Damask Tea and Lunch Cloths, in beautiful "Old Willow" pattern; sizes 36 x 36, 45 x 45 and 54 x 54; each, \$10.50, \$7.50 \$4.50
Hemstitched Napkins to match, size 14 x 14; per dozen \$10.50
Irish Damask Colored Border Breakfast Sets, cloths assorted sizes, six napkins to match; per set, complete, \$6.00, \$5.00 \$4.25
Embroidered Irish Linen Tea Cloths, size 36 x 36; each, \$5.00, \$3.75 \$3.50
Embroidered Irish Linen Tea or Lunch Cloths size 45 x 45; each, \$7.50, \$6.50 \$4.50
Fine English Marcella Bedspreads, medium or large sizes; each, \$12.50, \$10.50, \$8.50 and \$7.50
Large Size Flannelette Blankets, size 72 x 88 inches; in pink or blue borders; per pair \$2.95
Pure Scotch All-Wool Blankets, large size; beautiful quality; per pair \$10.50
Down Comforters, large size; beautifully ventilated; each, \$22.50, \$19.50, \$15.50 \$14.50
English Lace Curtains, 2½ and 3 yards long; per pair, \$3.50, \$2.50, \$2.00 and \$1.75

Doilies

Hand Embroidered Cut Work Linen Doilies, assorted sizes; each, 45c, 55c, 65c and \$2.25
Cut Work Oval or Oblong Linen Tray Cloths, each, \$3.50, \$2.75 and \$2.25
Madeira Hand Embroidered Linen Doilies, 100, 75c, 65c, 45c and 35c
Hand Made Linen Cluny Lace Doilies, each, \$1.25, 75c, 50c, 35c and 25c
Large assortment of Madeira Tea Napkins, Table Centres, Bureau Scarves and Tablecloths, all handsomely embroidered, at sale prices.
Cluny Hand Made Lace Table Centres, Bureau Scarves and Cloths at sale prices.
Irish Linen Damask Tray Cloths, willow pattern; size 18 x 27; each \$2.50
Embroidered Bureau Scarves, hemstitched or scalloped; each \$1.50
Hemmed Linen Tea Towels, each, 45c, 35c, 30c 25c
Hemmed Sheets, medium or large; per pair, \$5.00, \$4.00 \$3.25
Hemstitched Sheets, very fine quality, Irish make, soft finish; in three sizes; per pair, \$9.50, \$8.50 and \$7.50
English Fast Color Stripe or Plain Shirtings, beautiful quality; per yard, 85c, 75c and 55c
Best Quality English White Flannelette; per yard, 45c, 40c, 35c and 30c
Best Quality English Stripe Flannelette, 36 inches wide; per yard, 50c, 45c, 40c and 35c

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Christmas Rush Already Swamping Provision Shops—Advance Orders Pour In—Extra Men Engaged

GROCERY and butcher shops, together, in lesser degree, with retailers of less essential foodstuffs, are enjoying tremendous activity these days as Victoria picks and chooses the ingredients of her Christmas dinner. Throngs line the counters of the city stores, placing orders for turkeys and other seasonal fowl, carrying off less perishable provisions, and, in all, presenting the spectacle of industrious buying witnessed at Christmas only in the year.

Many merchants have already found it necessary to add considerably to their staffs in order to cope with the rush, and expect to expand still further as the holiday demand reaches its peak.

Turkey Market
Reports that turkeys may be scarcer this year have been bringing an avalanche of advance orders on stores during the past week. These have been accepted for delivery of the birds at market price, for merchants are proceeding warily amid the uncertainty of Christmas quotations. It is still ten days to Christmas, while the poultry market does not really open until a week or less before the holiday. What appears to be a fair price at the present time may have a very different appearance when the birds begin to arrive.

The main factor in Victoria poultry prices at this time of year, retailers say, is the Alberta turkey. Last Christmas such great quantities of the gobbler were shipped to the coast from the prairie that prices here were as low as 28 cents per pound for turkey. Quotations for chicken and other fowl were driven down to similar low levels, as dealers found it difficult to sell such birds when turkey was so cheap.

Last year, however, is now regarded as an exceptional season, and it is not expected that the coast market will be affected in the same way this December. Some birds from Alberta will be sold, but unlike in sufficient quantities to hammer prices down to last year's levels. Turkeys will probably fetch about 50 cents per pound, capons about the same, chickens 40 cents, ducks 28, and geese 25. These are the average quotations that shops are figuring upon at the present time.

Other Christmas Goods
Other Christmas stuffs will sell at the usual prices. Raisins, nuts, figs and dates will be on the market from all corners of the world, Manchuria, California, Persia, Palestine, Brazil and other remote countries.

New nuts have been arriving in large quantities during the past fortnight. Walnuts, filberts, Brazils and almonds will be available at 25 cents per pound. Soft shell California walnuts will cost 50 cents and pecans from South America 45 cents.

Spanish cluster raisins are quoted at 45 and 60 cents per packet, and California at 25 cents. Smyrna table figs are selling at 35, 40 and 50 cents per pound. California varieties are going at 25 cents. Dates from Persia, Hallowi and Fard are marked two pounds for 25 cents and one for 35 cents respectively.

Japanese oranges, another prime Christmas essential, are now 75 cents per box, having dropped a little during the past week.

A Definition of A True Friend

By MRS. LYDIA HOYT

WHAT constitutes an intimate friend—what is permitted in an intimacy and what not? This is a question about which there are many different opinions, and one that is often discussed. Personally, I believe that the word "intimacy" should mean a mental understanding and freedom, but not a freedom toward one's friends' personal belongings or private life.

I remember some years ago a certain woman I knew walked into her room one day and found an "intimate" friend of hers using her powder puff. She never saw anything of the feeling I mean to an exaggerated point and yet, to a great extent, I can understand what made her do it. Probably, if she had not had a quick temper, she would have merely told her friend that she preferred not to have her personal toilet articles used by anyone else. She told me afterwards, however, that she always felt that anyone who would use someone else's personal things without asking permission would also read one's letters; in other words, was someone who did not in any way respect one's private property.

I do believe that the only way for an intimacy to be bearable and to have any chance of lasting is for the people concerned never to abuse it. Intimacy, in the true sense of the word means that we have studied the other person, and if we really know the character of our friend, such an unnecessary abuse of someone else's sensibilities as the one I have mentioned could never happen. The offender in question should have known that though she might use someone else's powder puff without giving offense, she could not use this friend's matter how unreasonable or foolish she might feel this to be. It was up to her to respect that feeling.

In the same way, I feel that when one considers oneself to be an intimate friend of a certain person, it does not give one the right to probe into her life, to ask personal questions and give unasked-for advice. Confidence should be offered, never asked for, and we have the right of this intimacy only in so far as the other person desires us to have it.

The real friend should make the other person feel that she stands ready to hear and be interested in any confidence he or she wishes to place in her; that that confidence will be forever respected and that, if asked, she will give advice to the best of her ability. But it is a rare occasion, indeed, when she would be justified in asking questions—unless, of course, she is also involved in the situation.

A true friend is the rarest and most valuable thing in the world. He or she must have almost all the greatest qualities a person can have: tact, loyalty, tolerance, understanding and love. It does not mean that we own our friend or her belongings. There are certain people who like the kind of intimacy that means absolute freedom in every way—borrowing each other's clothes, using each other's houses and personal belongings as though they were their own. If they both like this, very well, but it is certainly not necessary to intimacy, and I have observed that friendship as free as this does not generally last a very long time, while the friendship which is more reserved has a better chance of being a lasting one.

Virginia Minicement

- 1 pound beef suet
- 4 pints apples
- 3 pints cooked meat
- 1 cup boiled cider
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 1 cup dark molasses
- 3 tablespoons salt
- 3 pounds seeded raisins
- 1 pound currants
- 1 cup candied orange peel
- 1/4 pound citron
- Juice 1 lemon
- 1 1/2 cups meat stock
- 1 1/2 cups grape juice
- 2 tablespoons cloves
- 1 tablespoon nutmeg
- 3 tablespoons cinnamon

Put suet through a meat grinder, chop the pared apples and meat (beef heart or fresh beef tongue preferred). Simmer in a large kettle with all but the last four ingredients for two hours. Remove from the fire, add the grape juice and spices, can and seal.

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A Yuletide House Party

CHRISTMAS arriving as it does this year on Thursday, a house party might well be arranged to start Wednesday morning with the arrival of the guests. Since no Christmas would be complete now without "Good Yellow" work being included, the very first suggestion would be to plan to distribute one's baskets that afternoon.

The children will enjoy their Christmas ever so much more for having planned a happy Christmas for other kiddies.

After lunch the hostess might let the children help her arrange the baskets—each family in the party providing one. Dainty ribbons, colored tissue paper and greeting cards will assist in making the recipients feel that they are not forgotten at Christmas time.

After those entrusted with the delivery of the baskets have returned, and dinner has been disposed of—then will come the important event of the Christmas tree.

Some families prefer to give their presents from the tree, others prefer the pleasant situation of allowing Santa to fill stockings, to be enjoyed Christmas morning. It might be arranged to give each of the group a small present, especially an amusing one, from the tree Christmas Eve. Then stockings must be hung in place, and for an early sleep, for the youngsters will certainly rise early in the morning.

Christmas morning will arrive with shouts of glee as pajamas fly for the fireplace and its fat stockings. The grown-ups will enjoy the revel too, and all will be more than busy till breakfast.

Perhaps a bit reluctantly the kids

will lay aside their new toys and treasures to get ready for church. But think how nice it will be to come back to them later!

Christmas dinner is always a very special event. The afternoon will need no planning, for after such a hearty meal, there will be naps for the little folks, and quite possibly some of the grown-ups will want to slip away for a little rest. The older children will be busy rehearsing for their tableaux in the evening.

An impromptu play could be arranged instead of the tableau if the spirit so moves. In any case the more spontaneous and informally costumed, the more fun it will be for all.

Very light refreshments will be plenty after the bounteous dinner, and



then will come the evening's performance. If a play is given, it will probably fill the entire evening. If a tableau, then dancing can follow, with cakes and fruit punch for a pleasant interlude.

Since Saturday night will be the grand ball—a cotillion, a happy occasion for the youngsters will be the making of favors.

Friday, if that kind of a day, may offer outdoor diversions—skating, sleighing and coasting. But if the weather be stormy, and the entire group be compelled to stay in, the cotillion favors can be made by the kiddies, and card tables supplied for the grown-ups. An impromptu concert would be enjoyable for Friday evening. Of course all the Christmas music that can be found, must be brought out, and the evening should be completed with the singing of Christmas Carols.

Saturday morning might lend itself to outdoor sports—perhaps the afternoon. But either way, time must be reserved for the decoration of the ballroom for the dance.

It can be easily imagined that dinner Saturday evening will be a sketchy affair with the thoughts of most of the group on the coming ball. Such an exodus to dress, after dinner! Uptairs corridors will see flying figures in kimono, making wild dashes for opposite rooms.

Presently the hostess will emerge, to be ready to receive the guests arriving for the evening's festivities. Music will be heard, and the house guests too will appear. The favors for the cotillion, having all been made at home, will receive more than their usual share of appreciation. It is hoped that a pleasant evening will be had by all.

Sunday morning will find folks rather sleepy, but refreshed with some hot coffee and toast, they will make the effort, I am sure, to attend church as usual.

After Sunday dinner will arrive that regrettable hour—the departure. But happy memories at least will remain, and for every one, there will linger in thought for many days, perhaps years, pretty pictures and incidents of their joyous Christmas house party.

SPIRIT PHOTOGRAPHS ON ARMISTICE DAY

Relatives of Dead Soldiers Say They Recognize Faces of Dead in Crowd Before Cenotaph

LONDON—Relatives of dead soldiers are already claiming to recognize some of the forty faces which appear on the "spirit photographs" taken at the Cenotaph during the Silence recently.

Two letters making the claim reached Miss Estelle Stead from the mothers of dead soldiers. "I expect to receive many more," she said.

"We have taken photographs of the kind before, and although I have sometimes had likenesses of dead people sent me which bear a vivid resemblance to faces in spirit photographs, you cannot depend on such identification, any more than you can depend on the judgment of people who declare the spirit faces to be those of living footballers and pugilists."

This last phrase was a reference to the fact that a paper claimed to have "exposed the truth" and to have "demonstrated, beyond all doubt and cavil," that the supposed spirit faces are nothing of the kind. This was after a photographic press agency had come forward with photographs of living athletes which bore a resemblance to the spirit faces. Jimmy Wilde was said to be in the picture—and Battling Siki.

As a matter of fact, the resemblance, in most cases, was a trifling one. The faces might have been anybody.

Most of the faces developed upon the plates exposed for two minutes at the Cenotaph are ordinary male types.

Famous Scientists baffled
It was pointed out by a photographic expert that if they had been placed upon the plate before its exposure at the Silence they must have disappeared immediately when exposed to the light. The late Sir William Crookes believed in spirit photography, while Professor Richet, Sir Oliver Lodge and Sir William Barrett are all said to have admitted, in regard to it, the existence of phenomena which they could not explain.

"I know nothing of spiritualism," said the photographic expert, "but as Miss Stead says the plates were untouched and scrupulously guarded after exposure, then 'taking' beforehand would be more difficult even than the photography of spirits."

Settlement of Dockers' Strike Looks Bright

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 12.—Prospects of settlement of the waterside strikes at all the Australian ports, appear to be brighter at present, according to Premier Bruce, than at any time since the trouble began.

The Premier has called a conference of shipowners and representatives of the Waterside Workers' Federation, and has expressed a hope that the conference will be held at the earliest possible opportunity.

PREPAREDNESS URGED BY ARMY-NAVY UNIT

Veterans Claim Canada Stands in Humiliating Position—Review of Situation Necessary

At a regular general meeting of this unit, held on Friday evening, the president, Major S. Rowlinson in the chair, the nominations for the election of officers at the annual general meeting to be held on January 15, were read out, as follows: For president, Comrade G. Gardiner; first vice-president, Comrade C. Tennent; second vice-president, Comrade Jas. Sloman; chaplain, Rev. Wm. Carroll; hon. treasurer, Comrade W. Miller; hon. sergeant-at-arms, Comrade H. Uglow, by acclamation will be elected.

Ten councillors were nominated for the Navy, and eleven for the Army, and will be elected by ballot on January 15, 1925.

The Christmas tree and tea for the Sea Cadets and members' children will be held on Tuesday afternoon, from 3:30 to 6:30 on December 20, 1924.

On Sunday evening, January 4, at 8:30 p.m., the Christmas Carols will be given by the Choir of St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, and the members are invited to bring their wives and friends. Seating accommodation will be arranged in the rotunda of the club.

Resolutions
The following resolutions were unanimously passed by the meeting: 1. That the Victoria Unit of the Army and Navy Veterans' Association views with alarm the yearly reductions in the appropriations for the Military, Naval and Air Forces of Canada, resulting in reductions in personnel,

training, equipment and accumulation of warlike stores with a consequent distinct loss of efficiency.

This unit is of the opinion that, at the present moment, Canada has no naval force worthy of the name; a diminutive Air Service with antiquated and worn-out equipment, and a military service cramped and starved for lack of money, and existing largely on paper without any such equipment as tanks, park artillery, bombs, armored cars, offensive gas, gas defence, or mechanized transport.

"That the military forces of Canada are scarcely capable of maintaining order within the country in the event of an emergency and are wholly incapable of defending the country or of playing any part at all in the defence of the Empire as a whole or aiding any part thereof.

Humiliating Position
"That as a result Canada occupies a humiliating position in that it relies for its defence upon the British people and their armed forces, and upon those other portions of the Empire which are seriously attempting to solve the question of defence by providing adequate supplies of money and taking appropriate measures for the training and organization of their people and their resources.

"That this Unit urges upon the Government a review of the whole situation and the taking of prompt and vigorous measures to secure adequate forces in the three arms of the service, with proper and modern equipment, and to make provision for peace and defence and provision for expansion in war. That such a course would be honorable and acceptable to the people of Canada and consistent with our pretensions to nationhood and those obligations which arise therefrom.

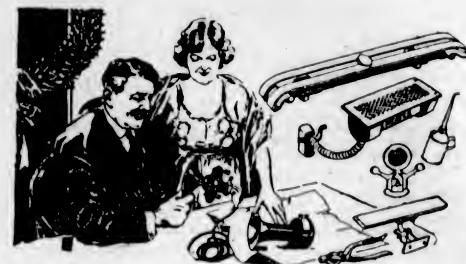
"That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Dominion executive, with

a request that the same be presented to the Right Hon. the Prime Minister of Canada."

Second resolution:
"That the Victoria Unit, in general meeting assembled, do hereby endorse the petition of the Victoria Riding Academy and Polo Club, to the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Victoria, that a bridal path be provided in Beacon Hill Park, and set apart for the use of well-appointed and equipped horses and their riders."

Pilgrims to Ste. Anne
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8 cups apples
2 cups molasses
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1½ pounds seeded raisins
1 pound currants
½ pound citron
½ pound candied lemon peel
1 tablespoon cinnamon
1 tablespoon mace
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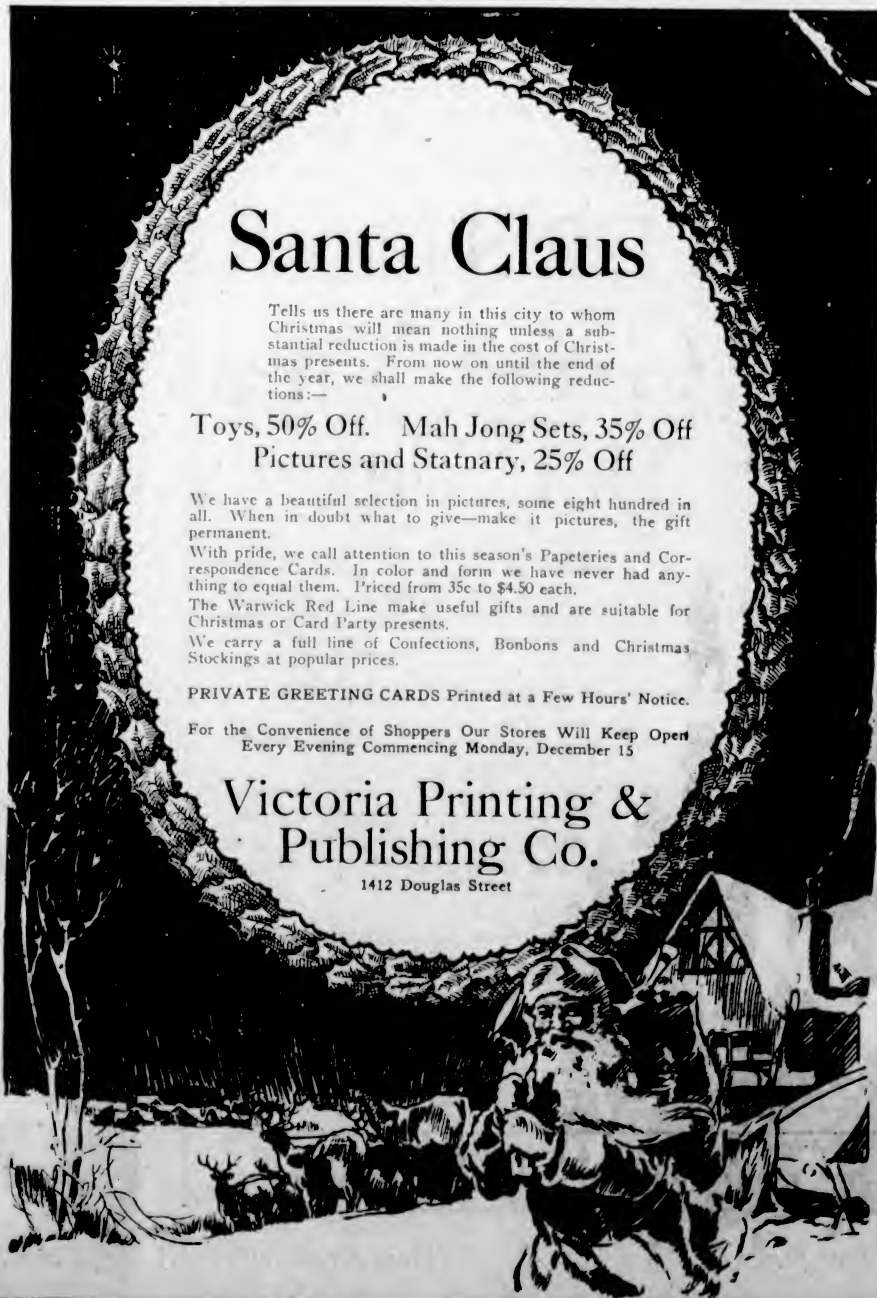
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LICKETY-SNIP

The Christmas Sprite

By KATHLEEN STOWE

SUSIE BELLE chuckled softly. George demanded to know what she was laughing at.

"Look! Look! Isn't he perfectly cunning—he's coming this way!" Susie clapped her hands.

George looked, round and saw a most adorable elf dancing toward them astride a great shining pair of scissors. His quaint suit of holly green was decorated with tiny pine cones, and his perky cap of cherry red set against one eye, was crowned with a bunch of holly berries.

"Who are you, sir?" asked George.

"I'm Lickety-Snip, the Christmas Sprite," and with this the elf turned a quick handspike off his steed, caught the scissors by the handles and clasped the blades, right merrily.

"And this old boy," said he, lowering his head, "is my good steed, Two Blades, the fastest and most cunning of all the scissors in Santa's shop."

Two Blades acknowledged the introduction by rearing on his handles and falling with a mighty thump. George and Susie Belle stood hand in hand watching this fascinating exhibition.

"We're very pleased to meet you," they chorused. "Can you do any other tricks?"

"Indeed we can," said Lickety-Snip proudly. "You should see us with Brown Paper. We can cut round it in circles—and scissors, too, for that matter."

Susie Belle advanced timidly, clasping her fat little dimpled hands. "I don't suppose," she said, "you could really cut out a paper doll, could you?"

"A paper doll," said George, "isn't such a much. I'd rather see him cut out a kite—would you?"

A dark cloud floated overhead, descending lower and lower until the little sprite jumped up and caught one end of it.

"Here's Brown Paper," he cried. "Now I'll make a hole so you can climb through and watch us," for the paper cloud had fallen down all over them.

Two Blades cut a hole through quickly and then cut the sweetest little set of steps you ever saw for George and Susie Belle to climb up. George helped his sister, and then Lickety-Snip and last of all Two Blades.

"Ladies first!" cried the elf. "We're off!"

And up and down dashed Two Blades with Lickety-Snip directing him, going into funny little corners and finally ending in a grand snip.

"Oh! Oh!" cried Susie Belle. "It's the most beautiful Paper Doll, and it's as big as me. I never did have such a nice big Paper Doll."

George helped her fold the big doll carefully so that she could sit down beside them and watch, for Two Blades was already clashing his blades with impatient readiness to be off on the next exciting excursion.

"Now for St. George and the



BELIEVES JAZZ CAN REVIVE THE BALLET

MORDKIN, FAMOUS RUSSIAN DANCER, DESCRIBES AIM

Synopsis: The Famous Russian Dancer, Describes Aim

NEW YORK—Mikhail Mordkin believes that interest in the ballet is dying and that it must have a stimulant, a tonic, to bring it to new life. He believes the right tonic is jazz music, and hopes to find a composer who can compose such music to fit his ideas for a ballet.



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When Mordkin was interviewed in his dressing room at the Greenwich Village "Follies," he insisted on illustrating what he could do in a ballet to jazz music. His illustrations were so forceful that they endangered the reporter, several trunks and Eugenia Repelsky, a dancer with the show, who translated his Russian into English.

"Jazz music," he said, "has such a funny laugh, it is so grotesque, it has so much that can be translated into good pantomime in the ballet. I like it, and I would like to get that laugh in a ballet."

"Jazz would be good for a full evening ballet, not just a diversion. Yes, we must keep the classical materials, the fundamentals, but it is time to do something new. You can't do a new ballet without a variation. That is why the ballet is dying out. There has been no new idea in the music for ten years. There must be new blood. With jazz it will be better."

"In America, you have five girls for the ballet. The American girl is the most wonderful in the world for dancing. She has a beautiful form, beautiful arms and legs, endurance and ambition."

Follows Classics

Mordkin is, perhaps, the most famous of the male ballet dancers, and has always followed the classic forms of the ballet. He admitted that many in Europe might think his espousal of jazz amounted to heresy, but he insisted it was needed for the ballet.

"I am delighted," he said, "to find many of your great artists also interested in jazz, and your great patrons of art, such as Otto H. Kahn and others, espousing its cause."

"There are many movements in the greatest symphonies and in the greatest ballets that are syncopated, yet they cannot be called jazz. The Oriental whine of the music used by the gypsies, the strains of the Argentine tango, the minuet, the polka, quadrille, bolero, all of these are syncopated, and none of them is jazz. The great discovery I have made in America is that all of these can be made into jazz. It is a matter of rhythm."

"I want a jazz ballet—one that will achieve the emotional effect of an animal's cry, a primitive wail or a woman's scream—a ballet that can be interpreted by animal movements, epitomizing perfection of litheness and graceful bodily action in faultless rhythm."

Wants New Ballet

"I want a jazz ballet that can be interpreted by jazz movements—entirely new renditions, where the dancer first indulges in the almost imperceptible hesitation and then throws

himself into the beat of the dance."

Mordkin is here for the first time in twelve years. On his first visit he appeared with the Imperial Russian Ballet. He was kept in Russia by the revolution and at one time was rescued by the Near East Relief when he and his family were starving and suffering from typhus in a box car at Tiflis, in the Caucasus. He obtained permission from the Soviet authorities to visit this country for six months.

"Y" ACTIVITIES KEEP OFFICIALS BUSY

Plans Discussed at December Meeting for Annual "At Home," Also for Christmas Dinner

There was a goodly attendance of directors of the Y.W.C.A. board present at the regular monthly meeting on Friday afternoon. Several important matters were discussed and all the committee reports were full of most interesting details in connection with the work carried on.

The allocation towards the Dominion Council's budget was arranged to consist of \$100 and for foreign work in China also \$100.

The membership committee reported eight new members and seven renewals. The annual "at home" for the whole membership is to be held in January. The date and place will be announced later.

The religious committee feels satisfied that its work is proving an uplift to the girls of the association. The afternoon Bible class consists of twenty-six young girls and vespers are being well attended. Friday, January 23, was the date fixed for an Oriental entertainment, at which the Oriental children in native dress would take charge of the whole programme. The proceeds will be devoted to foreign work.

The girls' work committee is considering the holding of a "charm class" in the new year. Several well known public people are being approached to act as lecturers. The various classes inaugurated are still continuing, viz., the china painting class and the gym groups. Some come for supper on Monday nights and bring their sewing. Mr. Mitchell, George Road, very kindly presented a basketball to the girls.

The Joy Club has now fifty-eight enrolments. For the Friday night gym there are twenty-five on the roll.

The poster competition is now closed and the prizes have been awarded. Mr. McMillan and Miss Crease judged the productions and many gratifying remarks were made

on the high quality of the work. In the near future the winning posters will be exhibited in a conspicuous place.

Miss Schofield is still faithfully meeting all the hosts from 7 a.m. till 4:30, and arresting and pathetic are many of her varied experiences. Women from overseas, families from the prairie and persons held up by the American authorities, all find in Miss Schofield a patient and willing friend. They are brought to the Y.W.C.A., where they stay until they are all comfortably placed. The travelers' aid committee thankfully acknowledges the following donations this month: St. Mary's Guild, \$10; Victoria Women's Institute, \$5; Lake Hill W.I., \$5; Esquimalt I.O.D.E., \$1; Women's Canadian Club, \$25.

The general secretary's report was very full, telling of the various activities conducted in the house on each individual evening. Among the transients were three missionaries en route for South China. Many inquiries daily for work and for domestic are received, also several requests come from up-Island.

A Mr. Taylor called in at the office one day during the month and donated \$5 towards the good work the Y.W. was accomplishing. Two dollars was received from Mrs. Elliott towards the proceeds of recent rummage sale. Donations towards the new building were received from the Esquimalt Ladies' Aid, and Misses Lacey and May Simpson came through with their regular monthly contributions.

Christmas dinner will be served at the Yates Street Rooms, at which the Anglo folk will be invited. This dinner will be open to the public at \$10 per plate.

Dark Fruit Cake

2 cups pastry flour.
1/4 teaspoon salt.
1 teaspoon baking soda.
1/4 teaspoon allspice.
1-3 teaspoon mace.
1/4 teaspoon cloves.
1 cup currants.
1 cup seeded raisins.
1/4 cup shredded citron.
1/4 cup candied orange peel.
1/4 cup shortening.
2-3 cup brown sugar.
2 eggs.
1/4 cup dark molasses.
1/4 teaspoon orange extract.
1/4 cup milk.
Mix and sift the dry ingredients and add the prepared fruit. Cream the shortening with the sugar, add the eggs (beaten), molasses and (flavoring) Combine the two mixtures, adding the milk, and beat well. Pour into well-greased pans and steam one hour. Finish by baking in a slow oven, 300 degrees, another hour. Do not cut for at least two weeks. It will keep for several weeks.

AROUSING INTEREST IN MOTION PICTURES

Services of Young Studio and Alderman Shanks to Be Solicited by Tourist Group

Mr. W. B. Young, of the Young Studio, of this city, who has done a considerable amount of motion picture work, will be asked by the tourist group of the Chamber of Commerce to meet Dr. Thompson, Hollywood producer, on his visit here next week. The tourist group believes that Mr. Young has valuable suggestions to offer concerning the establishment of a picture industry here, and will ask him to take a part in the discussion of the question with the Hollywood visitor.

Mr. Young has sent a letter to the group outlining his attitude. He is of the opinion that much could be done through co-operation of various parts of Vancouver Island.

The interest that Alderman-Elect Shanks has shown in the matter will

also be recognized by the group. He will also be asked to meet Dr. Thompson.

After the holiday season it is proposed to have all the new members of the Council attend a tourist group luncheon.

Delicate White Fruit Cake

1/2 cup butter.
1-3 cups sugar.
4 egg whites.
1/4 teaspoon lemon extract.
2 1/4 cups flour.
3 teaspoons baking powder.
2 teaspoons salt.
2-3 cup milk.
1/2 cup sultana raisins.
1/2 cup shredded citron.
1/2 cup chopped almonds.
2 tablespoons flour.
Cream butter and sugar until very light. Add the stiffly beaten egg whites and flavoring. Mix and sift the dry ingredients and stir in with the milk. Beat well and add the fruit and nuts mixed with flour. Turn into a round pan lined with greased paper and bake in a moderate oven, about 350 degrees, for about forty-five minutes.

A Meatless Mince

If a mince pie can be a mince pie without meat, here is one:
1 large lemon, rind and juice
2 apples
1/2 pound currants
1/2 pound raisins
4 ounces brown sugar
4 tablespoons molasses
1 pint cider
1 pint fruit juice
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon allspice
1/2 teaspoon cloves.
Grind fruit together with suet. Mix well with liquids, sugar and spices. Allow to stand in a cool place for about a week before using.

Munich to Have Sporting Place

MUNICH, Dec. 13.—One of the largest sporting palaces in Germany is to be built here on a tract formerly occupied by a munitions works. The place will have a seating capacity of 14,700 with room for 5,000 standees. The proposed palace also will be used for conventions and political meetings, but sporting events will have preference of dates.

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An Old Fashioned Christmas Program

By Madam Wanda Pouski

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The Christmas carol suggested are old favorites. Others may be substituted or added where the teacher finds it advisable. The programme will be briefly as follows:

1. Christmas music: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."

2. Selections from "Snow-Bound," by Whittier.

3. From "A Christmas Carol," by Dickens, the scene "Bob Cratchit's Christmas."

4. "Twas the Night Before Christmas."

5. Christmas music: "Holy Night, Silent Night."

Costumes for the Christmas music can be similar to those used for the Dickens sketch. The first verse of the old hymn "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" is as follows:

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
The angels bending near the earth
To hear the wondrous story told;
Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From heaven's all gracious King;
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Other Christmas songs may be added here or instrumental music, "Snow-Bound," a Winter Idyll by John Greenleaf Whittier, should be

appropriately announced. Two small pages or heralds might do this, or one of the members of the cast might come before the curtain and give the title.

The copy of "Snow-Bound" at hand shows an excellent picture of the fireplace in Whittier's home, which would assist in constructing the stage setting already suggested.

Of course the poem is too long to be given in full. It would need to be cut. The boys would probably like the first parts and the girls could take up the part starting with:

Shut in from all the world without,
We sat the clean-winged hearth about.

Different actions for the group are suggested in the lines:

We sped the time with stories old,
Wrought puzzles out, and riddles told,
Or stammered from our school book
lore, etc.

The aunt and uncle could be given, but perhaps not in full, and the "master of the district school."

"Another guest" could be omitted to advantage and the poem taken up at this point.

At last the great logs crumbling low
Sent out a dull and duller glow,
and finish with the description of the doctor.

If any slight changes are necessary for the stage, instrumental music could come next, before the youthful pageant announcer: "A Christmas Carol"

by Charles Dickens, Stage Three.

A reader for the descriptive parts will be necessary and he can sit at one side of the stage in front of the curtain. For it would never do to omit, "Then up rose Mrs. Cratchit, Bob Cratchit's wife, dressed out but poorly in a twice-turned gown, but brave in ribbons which are cheap and make a goodly show for sixpence," etc.

The first action will be shown in the pantomime, while the reader gives the first long paragraph. Mrs. Cratchit's first line starts, "What has ever got your precious father, then?"

The dialogue continues in a lively manner until the reader takes up the tale with, "Bob's voice was tremulous as he told them this," and continues with the Christmas dinner, the actors performing in pantomime.

The dialogue starts again with "A Merry Christmas to us all, my dears, God bless us."

The parts of Scrooge and the Spirit seem necessary to the story and can be acted by two children or read by the reader.

A last paragraph seems to close the pretty little episode nicely with "Scrooge had his eye upon them and especially on Tiny Tim, until the last."

The next selection on the programme can be omitted, especially if in the schoolroom giving this programme this old favorite has been "done to death." If it hasn't been given for some time a very small child might try it and win high praise of applause.



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Gold Seekers Warned Of Rigors of Winter

KETCHIKAN, Alaska, Dec. 13.—"Stampeders" traveling by automobile, dog teams and foot to the Cassiar placer district strike, British Columbia, have been stopped on the international boundary line northeast of Wrangell, Alaska, by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and refused permission to travel to the scene of operations by way of Brixton, Telegraph Creek and the Dease Lake trail until March, according to word received here. The order to head off the winter rush was issued to prevent hardships and privations without proper provisions at Cassiar.

Four Negroes Killed When Home Dynamited

LAKEHURST, Fla., Dec. 12.—Four negroes, three women and a man, were killed twelve miles from today, when Dick Taylor, husband of Julia Taylor, is alleged to have fired dynamite which blew a negro home to pieces. The dead, who include Julia Taylor, were killed as they slept. Taylor left a note in a rooming-house some distance from the explosion in which he said he got off the dynamite to stop a nuisance at the destroyed home.

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FINANCIAL POST ANALYZES POSITION

Pre-War Interest in Canada Revives With Recovery in the United States and in Exchange

TORONTO, Dec. 13.—From virtually all sections of the country information has been received to the effect that retail business in the hardware, drygoods and grocery lines has reached a much higher volume than was anticipated a month ago. Not only are weather conditions more favorable than for some months, but there is more money available for spending than at any time since the beginning of the depression period. The present volume of sales indicates that a larger holiday trade is in prospect than has been realized since 1920, says The Financial Post.

Three factors definitely contribute to this rise in the volume of retail trade. As stated, there is more money in the country available for distribution; there is a greater normal seasonal demand for goods, and, thirdly, business optimism is on the increase. With regard to the first, the present season may be termed Canada's pay day. Last year agriculture in Canada yielded a gross revenue of \$1,253,479,400. This year, the indicated yield is at least \$100,000,000 greater. Of last year's total, field crops were responsible for \$899,166,000. Nearly a billion dollars comes into Canadian hands during a short period following the termination of the harvest, and we are now in this period. It might be said that this method of an annual pay day is not good for year-round business; it undoubtedly has its objections. The significant fact, however, is that with the increase in dairy farming and stock raising the dividend is being more evenly distributed throughout the year—a decidedly healthy tendency.

United States Shows Interest Since the beginning of business recovery in the United States and the return of the Canadian dollar to par, there has been a marked tendency on

DEER OF HIGH DEGREE FLOURISH IN ENGLAND

Doomsday Book of Herds is Compiled—Some Bred Since Days of Queen Elizabeth

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Family history and family trees are by no means confined to the English aristocracy; there are several herds of deer in Great Britain whose records go back more than 400 years. The 1924 register of the Deer Herd Book Society of Great Britain, the social register of the animals, just published, gives a complete and distinguished list of the herds.

The herd at Deer Park, Peterborough, which went into residence there more than 400 years ago, is the topnotch in the unmixed blue blood of English herds. Among other deer ranking above the proletariat is the 300-year-old herd of Lord Clifford, which has not mixed with other blood since 1672, and the herd of Lord Cobham, which has maintained its exclusiveness since 1785.

Sir Robert Harvey, of Bangley Park, owns a herd of mixed deer which have been bred there since Queen Elizabeth used the park as a royal hunting ground. A thirteenth century mixed herd is owned by Lord Hastings, and the Duke of Norfolk has maintained a herd on their estates in Norfolk for about 500 years.

Altogether there are about 140 privately owned herds in Great Britain, including three belonging to King George, but which do not rank with their royal master in the matter of pedigree. On some of the large estates of the Midlands as many as 400 deer are kept.

Austrian Economic Crisis Affects All Businesses

VIENNA, Dec. 13.—This city, with an approximate population of 2,000,000, has only 2,200 private automobiles according to figures compiled recently by the authorities, about 1,200 less than last year. The reduction is attributed to the economic crisis which has reached virtually all branches of business, professions and walks of life.

The theatres and cafes have also been hard hit. Many Vienna restaurant proprietors have threatened to close their establishments on the ground that they are being overtaxed by the municipality.

GERMANS TIP STREET CAR MEN

BERLIN, Dec. 13.—With the stabilizing of Germany's finances the practice of tipping street and bus conductors has returned. It is customary among many passengers paying fare of fifteen or twenty pfennigs to give the conductor a tip of five pfennigs, which he is supposed to divide with the motorman. The street car busmen receive 25 and 30 pfennigs, according to length of service.

OLD JOKE BOOK BRINGS \$4,500

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The book sales season has opened in London with several rare editions offered at auction. The chief of these was a copy of the third folio of Shakespeare's plays which made a record price of \$5,000. A copy of "Humor's Antique Faces," a collection of epigrams bearing the date 1605 and of which only one other copy is known to exist, brought \$4,500.

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Santa Claus and the Pioneer

By MARJORIE HOWE DIXON.

IT WAS necessary for Santa Claus to watch his step in those days—something less than one hundred years ago—when he was making his first visits to the children of the pioneers shut up in the wilderness cabins of our northern country. Only reluctantly did suspicion give way to welcome. Those grave men and women of the pathfinder race were slow to admit that Santa's garments did not smell too strongly of incense and that his jolly red face was not a mask hiding more sinister features. But the children welcomed him. No doubt the fears and warnings of the grown up added one more pleasant thrill to those whispered tales of that strange night traveler who drove reindeers instead of oxen, and carried a pack from which he distributed enchanting gifts to those boys and girls whose high standard of conduct made them worthy objects of his benevolence. Standards were high in those days and it is recorded that sometimes there was little besides a stout switch to greet young, eager eyes on Christmas morning.

Thought flies away from such a painful scene and prefers to picture a cabin, before Christmas, dimly lighted by the flames of the hearth, children sound asleep in rumpled beds and mother and father working quickly and quietly at their homelike toys and gifts. Doubtless in most cases the picture would not be complete without the disapproving presence of grandfather, grandmother or maiden aunt, busy at some pioneer handcraft, but not too busy to reprove the evilness of such ways with curiously applied texts and the dimly remembered warnings of still earlier days.

Very little money was spent on Christmas gifts. Careful calculation was required in order to stretch the family income so it would include paying for a few pieces of the crude candy of the day and also perhaps pay the nearest blacksmith for shaping iron runners to fit wooden sleds and skates made by father at home. Mothers did not require such aid. When the pokeberries and the walnuts and all the other forest materials for making dyes were ready, she had thought ahead to Christmas time and prepared the gay yarns which later she knitted into scarfs, wristlets and mittens. These same dyes put roses into the cheeks of the rag dolls and furnished gay coats and trousers for the clumsy jumping-jacks. The last seemed to have been favorite toys.

Besides these there were dolls' tea-sets made of acorn cups, fearsome witches and fairies whose heads were carved hickory nuts and whose bodies were shaped of wood and wire. Indian crafts were adapted to meet the pioneers' needs. Dyed hedgehog quills made gay strings of beads, wild turkey feathers formed juvenile war bonnets, and the hands that made clumsy jumping-jacks and skates showed marvelous skill in shaping small bows and arrows for the use of, maybe, some future hunter of fame. Had the year been unusually prosperous, these before Christmas preparations included the purchase of crockery, the drinking cup. The pottery is coarse, the shapes are not elegant, and the coloring is crude indeed. For example, one shows a blue man driving a blue yoke of oxen hitched to a blue plow, and the owner is admonished by a blue motto from the Book of Proverbs to "Go to the ant," etc. Another little cup has a nutberry woman, straight as a stick, carrying a nutberry pail and walking down a nutberry path, all to adorn a nutberry motto from "Poor Richard," having to do with the sad fate of those who fail to take the ant for their guide in industry. Perhaps these pious verses helped to make possible some of the compromise with conscience that those men and women found necessary. Such gifts served the needs of those children who would have died in horror at even a dim vision of the toy automobiles and airplanes of today. Such as these would have confirmed the worst that had been said as to Christmas toys being the invention of that evil one supposed to lurk behind Santa Claus' white whiskers.

As may be guessed, other compromises with conscience were also made. We are told that now and then grandfather, who had quoted texts and scolded every step in the preparations, took possession when it came to the actual time of giving, and in the fullest possible dress of an Indian chief, distributed the gifts with Indian form. Perhaps he thought that thereby the malign influence of Santa Claus would be neutralized, by the native spirit of the woods.

There were families in which gift giving was approved, but to whom even such gifts as have been mentioned were impossible. All the pioneers were poor, but poorest of all were those messengers of civilization, the pioneer preachers. In one such family the mother found it possible to give her only son nothing but an apple. This apple was procured only with much effort, but it always came, was polished till it shone, and came soon to stand to the son for all the mother would have liked to give. When times became easier and other gifts were made, the son continued to prize most highly the red apple the mother never forgot. Then came the year when the mother had passed beyond such gift giving. The first Christmas Eve after this event the young man, a country preacher in his turn, spent the night in a pioneer home just robbed of its first baby. At dawn the young preacher left for his own home, depressed with his own grief and that of his friends. He felt a special sense of loss because for the first time within his memory he would have no red apple. The cold wind blew, the snow made the trail heavy, and the bare branches creaked their ineloquent message. Suddenly at a turn in the path, lying beside a huge log that crossed his road, this young man saw a big red apple. Just such an apple as his mother always gave. And there is no explanation. The presence of that apple in that spot was never explained. When that young preacher became an old man, he spoke of the event with awe. As the years went on, he found that something else had been given him besides his mother's apple. He found he had been given the certainty of love's enduring quality that strengthened him all his days.

Stage Drawing Girls From Notable Families

BERLIN, Dec. 13.—The daughter of a German admiral prominent in the world war, daughters of school principals, physicians, lawyers and musical conductors, and wives of thoroughly respectable bookkeepers and office employees figure among the chorus girls of the musical comedies and revues now running in Berlin. They bear evidence to the fact that the day is past when the chorus girl was looked upon as a person of doubtful morals on whom adventurous cavaliers could lavish their attentions without further ado.

Gold Coast Holds No Terrors for Princess

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Princess Marie Louise, King George's cousin, has decided to leave London in February for a month's visit to the Gold Coast of West Africa, where she will take part in some big game shooting. Until recent years the Gold Coast was known as the white man's grave, but owing to the progress which has been made in the conquest of malaria and other tropical diseases, the district is now comparatively healthy. The Princess, who will be accompanied by a woman friend, will go to Accra, the seat of government, as the guest of the local governor.



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BERLIN, Dec. 13.—One of the old churches of Berlin has been changed into a theatre, despite the protests of a number of worshippers of former years. The church had been closed for some time because of an insufficient congregation. It has been agreed that nothing but plays of the highest literary excellence are to be presented.

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Cape Mudge Village

By KILBEE GORDON

Cape Mudge village, on the southern portion of Quadra Island (locally known as Valdes Island), and opposite the well-known town of Campbell River, on Discovery Passage, is undergoing a "boom" which is destined to change it completely from the little fishing settlement it was for years and up to a very short time ago.

The visitor to Cape Mudge, the pretty little Indian village, is amply repaid for his half hour motor boat trip across the swift waters of Discovery Passage.

In a spoon-like, deep water bay, that reflects the prismatic colors of a sunset sky, he may leave his row-boat or launch in perfect security. A short walk up the shelling beach, whose white pebbles are free from the cutting incrustations of broken barnacles and their kind, to where some huge drift logs are being sawn up for the stoves of the little northern community, past boats old and new, high and dry, undergoing a treatment of paint, often of very startling brilliancy, and oakum, and being otherwise made ready for the advent of the next fishing season, where are huge nets drying in the sun, and that floods the shore, while friendly little Indian children, glad and care-free, play to their hearts' content, and where are also grown-ups attending to their daily round of life's responsibilities. This is Cape Mudge.

A new row of well-built modern houses has arisen at the back of the grass plot that runs the length of and parallel to the sea front. The old shacks of former days, ancient, historic, tumble-down and unkempt have almost disappeared, and this alone is proof positive of the good work of the Indian agent, W. M. Halliday, whose home is at Alert Bay, the kindly fatherly interest of the Methodist minister, Rev. R. C. Scott, B.A., whose home is at Cape Mudge, and also the result of the benign and intellectual example of the lady who presides over the village school and its young scholars, Mrs. Howard.

Soon the unshapely, scattered and dirty shanties of the old regime will have disappeared entirely, and the row of excellent and artistic cottages that is already in evidence will be extended and Cape Mudge will set a still greater example to some white settlements that have no order, nor beauty, nor design in their rural town make up.

A visit to the schoolhouse is elevating. There, amongst the disappearing ruins of the old Indian village, and also in the midst of the model townsite that has sprung up in its stead, is a really charming little schoolhouse, newly painted, spotless within and without, orderly and most comfortable and coolly decorated with pictures, and the best handicraft of the scholars, past and present, a credit to the Indian Department and its agent, the school teacher and the scholars themselves, who are privileged to attend here.

The students have bought and installed a large cookstove to use for the getting of refreshments ready on the occasions when social gatherings take place, and they have been donated a complete and generous supply of dishes by Mr. Anderson, of Quathlaqui Cove and Vancouver. In this little schoolhouse services are held by the Rev. R. C. Scott on Sundays and other days, and it is the centre of the educational and religious life of this little community. A flagpole and Union Jack is urgently needed, and will no doubt be donated by someone interested. A local choir

has been formed by Mr. Scott, and is led by him. This choir is a credit to the residents of Cape Mudge and the minister and his wife, who is the organist and "curate" combined, doing her share of the good work as assistant to her hard working husband. Both are occasionally accompanied by Mr. Archie Scott, an ardent vocalist. Their home is near by, a real "home," set beneath giant old spruces and firs, and other glorious trees, where the boys and girls and their parents in the little Indian village can seek out and consult with their minister in all times of stress and care. Dr. Zeigler, of Campbell River, is the consulting physician. It is a quaintly happy, picturesque and miniature metropolis, and well worth a visit. The townsite is exceptionally good and well preserved, but are not destined to last for ever. And now the inhabitants of Cape Mudge are in the throes of installing an electric light plant, and this after putting in a most up-to-date water supply system recently, through the energetic interest of Mr. M. Halliday, the Indian agent at Alert Bay.

Prior to these improvements the rejuvenation already described in the village itself had taken place. Of course, there is no hotel there yet, and strangers have to be "put up" at Mrs. Howard's home, at the house of the resident representative of the Quathlaqui Mission, No. 2, Rev. R. C. Scott, B.A., or at the new house of Chief Billy, at present unoccupied, which, however, can be pressed into service.

The new electric light plant will be an up-to-date Diesel engine, 12-14 h.p. and dynamo, supplying a current of 110 volts, with a capacity of 7 kilowatts. Unless the department acquiesces in the changed plans, the minister's house will not be included in the installation (a curious result of hard work in behalf of the village) as the cost is more than at first anticipated. It is hoped to have the electric light system for Cape Mudge village completed by Christmas.

Still another modern improvement for the village is the immediate connection with the Dominion Government telephone, from house to house, to a point on the line running from Quathlaqui Cove to Cape Mudge light-house, which latter is known to all mariners between here and Northern British Columbia and Alaska. Both these points are on Quadra Island and about 2½ miles apart. The Government grant for this work, however, is so small, \$50, that the minister and his brother have to do the work themselves, with occasional and intermittent—very occasional and intermittent—help from the Indians.

So far, a wealth of "devil's club," thorn, thickets, alder and balsam have been encountered, but the work is done, and it is now possible for the outside world to call up "Hello! Cape Mudge!" "Time and tide wait for no man," and it is time to leave Cape Mudge and return to headquarters, as the tide is running and all the western sky is spent with rose, and tints of orange gold pass rapidly across the sky fields of azure green, and shadows fall upon the distant shores to which our gaze has sped, and an afternoon on a stuporless, rootless homelike, and under trees that also have shed their Autumn leaves, where a simple and contented people live and do the best of their humble abilities, and are assuredly well looked after by those who have their real welfare at heart, the Indian agent, their minister and the school-teacher at Cape Mudge.

COLUMBIA W. A. HAS BOARD MEETING

A pleasing incident at the Diocesan board meeting held on Friday, December 12, at St. Barnabas Hall, was the bestowal of a life membership on the Diocesan board on Mrs. Brooks, as a mark of appreciation of her faithful and valued work as superintendent of the Junior W.A. of St. Alban's, Oaklands, a district mission. Mrs. Brooks, who is a member of St. Barnabas senior branch, has for the past eight years carried on the Junior work with marked success, and was cordially welcomed to the board by the Diocesan president, Mrs. Nelson, who read the short but impressive service of dedication, Mrs. Plunkett, the donor of the life membership, pinning on the golden badge.

The programmes of the Diocesan annual meeting to be held January 28 to 31 inclusive, were distributed at the meeting, and Mrs. Dickson, organizing secretary, was appointed convener of hospitality. Each president was requested to obtain the names of the members of her branch who are willing to offer hospitality to a delegate to the meeting, and to send in the names to Mrs. Dickson.

The literature secretary, Miss Brown, requested each branch to send in the name of the literature secretary as early as possible after their annual meeting, and also made an appeal for birthday offerings towards the literature fund.

The meeting heard with pleasure that the results from the Diocesan Shoppe have added \$600 to the social service funds, but in a letter from Miss Brown, read by the Diocesan social service secretary, the members were reminded of the need for further funds to assist the needy and helpless during the Christmas season. Mr. Chisholm will be at 641 Fort Street all next week to receive contributions for this work.

An unusually large response was received by the Diocesan secretary, Mrs. Patt, to the appeal for Christmas gifts for the Columbia Coast Mission, so that many hearts, young and old, will be cheered and made happy in the lonely districts of Vancouver Island by the gifts sent in.

The results of the work of the Junior members of the W.A. were brought in by Mrs. Chrowe, who was highly satisfactory, all pledges being fully met, as well as generous contributions made to various missions for the benefit of less fortunate children.

An invitation to attend the Christmas festivities at the Good Hope Mission on Johnson Street, next Friday, December 19, at 2 p.m., was given by Mrs. Norrish, who acknowledged gifts of dolls from a Junior branch, and a generous help from one of the city stores.

Eight boxes of interesting reading matter were sent to the Columbia Coast Mission during the month, largely contributed by the kindness of the Ladies' Guild for Sailors.

Mrs. Nelson expressed regret at the departure from Victoria of Mrs. Griffiths, and a very hearty vote of thanks was given to her for her helpful services at every board meeting as registration officer. Mrs. Carver, of St. Saviour's W.A., was appointed by the meeting to take her place, Mrs. McKinnon kindly consenting to assist Mrs. Carver during the Diocesan annual meeting.

The president voiced a very hearty vote of thanks to St. Barnabas W.A. for the kind welcome expressed by their president, Mrs. Heatherbell, which included refreshments, which were greatly appreciated.

The noon-hour intercessions were read by Rev. N. E. Smith, the rector of St. Barnabas, in the church, to which the meeting adjourned, and later closed with many wishes to all for a very happy Christmas.

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St. Agatha's School, Seaside Road, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Large, assisted by Mrs. C. P. Miller, is one of the most recent arrivals in the educational world of Greater Victoria, and a very promising one. On Wednesday last the school was

closed for the Christmas holidays with a delightful programme arranged from the work of the term, drills, dances and recitations, in which all the pupils took some part and showed excellent proficiency. Perhaps the outstanding feature of the older girls' part was the recitation of "Hiawatha's Departure" by Hope Large—a difficult poem for a child of eight. The whole programme was, however, very well rendered and worthy of highest praise.

Special prizes given by generous patrons and friends of the school, were presented to the successful pupils by the vicar of St. Mark's, Rev. H. V. Hetherington, as follows: Nature study and needlework, Hope Large; Joan Blocher; history, David Waddell; literature, Helen Holmes; French and reading, Evelyn Frisk; nature study and arithmetic, Violet Miller; general progress, Dorothy Dodswill; reading, Victor Willerton; geography, Wilfred

Pendray; general progress, Ernest Gekwell.

DULUTH WINS OFFER
DULUTH, Dec. 12.—In the first of a two-game series, Duluth defeated Minneapolis, 1-0, in the opening of the United States Amateur Hockey Association season here, last night. The cucumber is a native of the East India.

JAPAN SEES NEW U.S. WAR THREAT

Hostilities Forecast by Article in Nippon Paper if Vessels Should Go to the Philippines

CRUISE SAID TO BE DIFFERENT FROM OTHERS

Visit of American Ships to Australia and New Zealand Is Called Part of Plot Against Tokio

OSAKA—The Osaka Mainichi, one of Japan's largest and most influential newspapers, sees in the proposed American fleet manoeuvres in the Pacific a direct war threat against Japan and predicts editorially that the event foreshadows a remarkable change in international relations of the world.

"The purpose of the manoeuvres," the editorial states, "doubtless is to study how to fight Japan. . . and the cruise of the American fleet to the Hawaiian Islands in fighting trim will make the breaking out of war inevitable."

The writer points out that the only point that differentiates the manoeuvres from practical warfare is that the fleet does not proceed direct from the Hawaiian Islands to the Philippines, but to Australia and New Zealand. If the fleet should proceed direct to the Philippines from Hawaii, he believes, the move should be regarded as open hostilities against Japan from the tactical point of view.

Former Cruise Is Recalled

A translation of the text of the editorial is as follows:

"Years ago the Atlantic fleet of the United States came to the East through the Straits of Magellan, calling on Japan on its way back to the home base. The late Colonel Roosevelt, who was President at that time, declared that the cruise was to show the might and efficiency of the United States navy. But it was an undeniable fact that the crew took the cruise as meaning war with Japan and a great number of American bluejackets deserted their feet on their way to this country. As the fleet approached Japan American officers, not to say sailors, became extremely nervous, thinking that war was inevitable. When they arrived at Yokohama they were received with enthusiasm, to their agreeable surprise, by our navy as well as by the general public.

"The sixteen battleships which formed the nucleus of that fleet and which supplied the world with such an episode were the best fighting force of the American Atlantic fleet. Its formation was made in accordance with the principle of peace standing, and it had no supply ships nor any auxiliary vessels. It may have been judged from its formation that the purpose of the cruise was not to fight.

Different From Others
"But the grand manoeuvres which the American navy is going to hold in January next are greatly different from the cruise of the former occasion. They have no doubt an important meaning. It is not improbable that a remarkable change will occur in the international relations of the world of the manoeuvres is to study how to concentrate the whole forces of the American navy in the Pacific; how to defend the west coast of the United States; to extend the capabilities of San Francisco as the base of operation; how to carry out a cruise in which a large number of warships are assembled, and to study how to transfer munition supplies on the open sea and how to maintain lines of communication.

"It is not known whether the Government of the United States allowed papers to publish openly that Australia and New Zealand will participate in the manoeuvres. In this connection the imperial diplomatic authorities will be justified, in our opinion, to ascertain the fact from the British Government."

EUROPE'S STATESMEN ADOPT MODERN WAYS

Most of Old World's Political Leaders Are Clean-Shaven and Lack Picturesque Exterior

VIENNA, Dec. 13.—Style introduced into Europe during the war, by the clean shaven men of England and America, together with the safety razor, have made trouble for European cartoonists. Time was when almost all the monarchs and statesmen of this part of the world wore whiskers, and their faces were consequently relatively easy to copy or burlesque. There was a fine crop of imperial whiskers when the Great War began, but death and revolution removed and put to flight many of the bearded kings. Where democracy failed to place presidents into power, older monarchs made way for clean-shaven sons.

Among the beardless men of prominence today whose faces are hard to caricature, are Friedrich Ebert, president of Germany, and Chancellor Marx; Herriot, Prime Minister of France; and the kings of Rumania, Belgium, Spain and Italy.

Muhsara Kemal of Turkey, wears no beard and trims his moustache so closely that there is no excuse to give it an upper twist with a view to converting him into a terrible Turk with a knife in his teeth.

In fact, Europe is now quite generally ruled by men who have the appearance of regular everyday chaps who lack the eccentricities and peculiarities which cartoonists thrive on.

Some Famous Figures of the Tea Trade Days and Their Ships



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Captain A. ENRIGHT



"Thermopylae" Racing with "Cutty Sark"



Capt RICHARD ROBINSON
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"Teeping" and "Ariel" Racing Up Channel in the Race, 1866.

How Sailormen of Clipper Ship Years Met the Day's Task

THE clipper ships, and most probably ships of a much earlier date, used frequently to carry a shark's tail nailed to the extreme end of the jibboom to ward off head winds. These talismans were fastened firmly enough to withstand the onslaughts of wind and seas but did not often survive a spell in port, where they were likely to be knocked off by one thing or another, because in the days when ships were bristling with spars, they came into much more contact with their home town than they do now, when they are for the most part shut up in enclosed docks and jealously guarded wharfs.

So intimate in many places was the relationship between the ship and her port that one frequently had to be careful in docking her not to poke the American navy is going to hold in January next are greatly different from the cruise of the former occasion. They have no doubt an important meaning. It is not improbable that a remarkable change will occur in the international relations of the world of the manoeuvres is to study how to concentrate the whole forces of the American navy in the Pacific; how to defend the west coast of the United States; to extend the capabilities of San Francisco as the base of operation; how to carry out a cruise in which a large number of warships are assembled, and to study how to transfer munition supplies on the open sea and how to maintain lines of communication.

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CHINESE WARLORDS HARD ON FARMERS

FORCE THEM TO CONTRIBUTE HEAVILY TO ARMIES

Crops Are Ruined by Hostilities and Other Causes, But Demands for Service Go On

PAOTINGFU, China, Dec. 13.—That the Chinese farmer, already taxed to the limit of his ability to pay, is to be called upon to bear the burden of the present punitive expedition, is the conclusion forced upon anyone who analyzes the present situation in North China. Closed schools suggest that educational funds are being diverted, income from railroads is being seized, and even taxes for flood relief are being "hollowed" to swell the war coffers, but it is plainly to be seen that the farmers, who constitute three-fourths of the population, will be made to provide the bulk of the necessary revenues.

No income tax, for example, has been devised by the warlords, but private fortunes to contribute, and it is notable that the patriotism of the private citizen does not prompt him to support the cause of the central government. The warlords are, therefore, driven to invention, and they invent one more atrocity.

As always, by the closing of markets, interruption of communications and pillaging by soldiers, the farmer is the sufferer. This year his crops have been ruined. He has been hoping for a little relief from the government, perhaps a job on a dyke financed by the flood relief surtaxes. But the taxes go for the war, and the farmer, when he is least able to do so, is asked to support it as never before. The warlord's first move was a gentle one. He proposed to buy crops, but for these he set his own figure which was about half the market price. As the crops came in slowly at this figure each county was asked to contribute its share to produce a certain amount. Military pressure on the official, official pressure on the farmer, and the trick was done.

The warlord needed carts, thousands of them. There were munitions to be hauled many miles over trainless country. He turned to the farmer, and the farmer, in order to escape the civil official and the official assessed the county according to its population, anywhere from 100 to 800 carts. The county

magistrate in turn assessed each village, according to size, one to six carts.

But the warlord still is in need. He wants servants at the front to carry his ammunition and other equipment, to cook food and to load and unload trains, to bury the dead and to perform other mental labors. The number of coolies demanded was about 200,000. The credit of the military is said that counties badly hit by the floods have been partially exempted, but the total number of carts demanded from the province of Chihli, with its 123 counties, was approximately 25,000.

In addition it is reported that a contribution of \$10,000,000 in hard silver dollars has been demanded of Chihli province.

WAR ON LOCUSTS IS CARRIED INTO HOME OF ENEMIES

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, Dec. 13.—An expedition into the Kalahari desert has been organized by the South African Government to discover the breeding places of the locusts that come forth in the summer and swarm over the farms of South Africa, destroying everything in their wake. It is hoped eventually to send a small army into this desert armed with sprayers and all the necessary equipment for killing the pest.

Some members of the expedition visited the kraal of the Barokene tribe, 20 miles within the desert, and were received by the native chief and his wife, both dressed in the European fashion and speaking English. Among these natives they found a group of some fifty white men and women serving in mental capacities. They are the descendants of nomadic forerunners who trekked adventurously from the Cape, only to settle among the Barokene natives, whose workmen to all intents and purposes they have become.

Being white, by the laws of the country they are denied pastoral and agricultural privileges, and now they seem to have lost all initiative to move out and re-establish themselves in a white community.

The red snow occasionally noticed in the Alps bordering on the Mediterranean is believed to owe its color to the presence of minute particles of Sahara sand blown across by gales.

Unusual Incidents of Sun's Eclipse Forecast

Prof. George Peters, of U. S. Naval Observatory, Tells of Strange Things Likely to Occur on January 24—Describes Course of "Shadow Line"—Predicts Fall in Temperature, With Animals Showing Signs of Wonderment and Chickens Going to Roost

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Scientists believe they have gathered from experience a good idea of some of the unusual things that will take place in connection with the total eclipse of the sun, January 24.

Professor George H. Peters, of the Naval Observatory, who has been on intimate terms with Old Sol for twenty-eight years, related recently some of the things that he expects to see in the "shadow path," with favorable weather, on the morning of the eclipse.

These include a fall of a few degrees in temperature. Animals are likely to become perplexed, and birds go to roost. Looking toward the west, just before the eclipse becomes total, one may observe the shadow of the moon coming toward the observer as if a thunderstorm were imminent.

The sun has just passed its minimum period of spots, and will probably have some spots in January at eclipse time, causing some disturbance of the corona, which can only be seen during total solar eclipse. The sun is four hundred times farther away from the earth than is the moon.

The ideal spot to observe the eclipse would be far out in the North Atlantic Ocean, for the central line, passing over Montauk Point, N.Y., traverses the sea for the rest of its length, until north of the British Isles, the total eclipse becomes visible at sunset.

At sunrise, just east of Red Lake, Minnesota, the eclipse will be total. In the eastern section of the United States, the eclipse will be visible early in the forenoon, and in the far west, not at all. It will still be dark there. Over the North Atlantic Ocean, it will be noon and afternoon, at eclipse time.

If at the equator, the moon's shadow, blotting out the sun's rays from the earth, would sweep across the body at the rate of 1,000 miles an hour. In the eastern part of the United States this rate will be greater,

touch the cargo, and this movement has spread practically the whole world over.

The seamen also has his union, which, in turn, does not permit him to work, unless he is paid a steady wage as well as his own. Nor has he any objection to this ruling, because it is hard work, and in these days of quick dispatch he has plenty to do in foreign ports to keep the ship in good order.

In the days of which I am speaking, when the clipper reigned supreme, it was one in the home ports that stevedores took charge. Elsewhere, as a rule, the crew had to work the cargo out and in. The sailor had to do his ten or more hours and discharge and load his ship by man power only. Neither steam, hydraulic nor electric power came to his aid. All the cargo had to be hoisted out of the hold with a little hand winch and drifted overboard to wharf or lighter with a tackle. The lift was heavy. It was just a matter of adding more blocks, more purchase to the gear and a longer grind on the wheel handles. For the two centre bales apart and in, which was a state of beatitude never reached at sea.

Well I can remember when in my teens shovelling or hoisting coals from the hold at Port Pirie for the Broken Hill silver mines of South Australia, or working general cargo at Port Adelaide—canned milk, beer, clothes and all sorts and conditions of things, from the proverbial needle to an anchor, or humping two and one-half hundredweight in the broiling sun from morn to night.

The loading of the wool was even heavier work, each bale weighing about six hundredweight, and there were four of us to a bale. These we used to carry and place in a row across the ship's hold, then with boards and little jackscrews, force the two centre bales apart and in, increasing the size of our screws, make room for another bale, drop it in place and remove the boards, exclaiming, "There you are, right jammed that no tackle would pull them out. I have seen the wool so solidly packed that it had to be dug out on arrival home."

I used to pay the ship to have a gang spend a whole day squeaking an extra bale in, because the freight on it was \$5 and the wages of the four men would only be about \$2.

Wool in some parts of Australia was screwed as is the cotton in this country, by placing the bales corner to corner and rolling them in with a box-screw, but this method, though quick, does not pack it so tightly as an example of how things change, where we used to do this wool screwing in Western Australia, or perine two miles off Fremantle, there have now dredged a channel up the Swan River and big ships go up to Perth, there to have their cargo loaded by the latest machinery with professional stevedores.

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Hospitals to Get Radio
DUBLIN, Dec. 13.—A Belfast committee is raising \$5,000 to provide the hospitals of the city with radio receiving sets, and the project, if successful, will be extended to other northern towns. The radio station at Belfast has proved a great success and its programmes are in great demand.

Anne Bradstreet's collection of poems was the first book from a woman's pen printed in the United States.

Australia has always been a strong trade union country and her people were about the earliest to insist that none but her own men might handle cargo. They have also a law, not as far as I know, adopted elsewhere, that a vessel in port must buy all her food and other stores ashore and may not use any she carries.

Though the majority of the crew were thus hard at work, we used, nevertheless, to always find time to keep the ship trim and clean, the gear in good order, the paint and bright work spotless and the brass shining, and after the day's work we always had a rattling good time. In the Far East, where labor is so cheap and the climate so hard on the white man, native labor is employed, but the mate saw to it that there was plenty for the sailors to do. An idle crew is a discontented crew.

The west coast of America has always been one of the worst for cargo working, because south of San Francisco there are no harbors and everything has to be done at anchor in open roadsteads, the cargo being discharged into heavy lighters, along side, with interminable waits for the tide, and the climate so bad that the vessel has to go to sea again until it moderates. For this the ship must be kept always in order and ready for action.

Sydney, Australia, has always in my opinion been the world's de luxe port. The town slopes down to the Circular Quay on the edge of the immense land-locked harbor—where the sun shines and the water is blue.

This quay has always been reserved for the finest ships, and there the people still come down for their evening walk or Sunday stroll. When I first saw it the quay was lined with the wool and clipper fleet, which consisted of as fine ships as have ever been built, whether of wood, iron or composite. There was no room to go ashore for fun—the town used to bring it to us. We could yarn or dance or well, yash—flirt to our heart's content, right aboard.

In such places as these, though our ship was moored well and thoroughly, she did not seem to feel the restraint so much, though constantly replete, and at times, as when a southerly buster took her, her chains would split as she tried to break them. Occasionally she succeeded, which was foolish on her part, because having no sail bent she was like a man overcome with wine, and staggered here and there without control, until an anchor could be dropped or she lay helpless on a bank.

Discharged and released she was freed again to seek some other port and once more lay her boom across the street.

There's lots more verses to my song; Leave her, Johnny, leave her, But I'll talk short, or perhaps go wrong; And it's time for us to leave her. —Old Chanty.

MUSIC MASTER TO BECOME COMPOSER

WILHELM FURTWÄNGLER DROPS LEADER'S BATON

Successor of Celebrated Nikisch Expected to Enrich the Musical Literature of Germany

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FRENCH FEEL THEY ARE ALONE

Premier Herriot's Fate Is Believed to Depend on How He Gets On With the British Government

CAUTION WILL BE DOMINANT POLICY

Sane Programme Is Urged in Dealing With Germany, Russian Soviet and the Vatican

PARIS—France is today the only large country in Europe with a Liberal Government. Six months ago it had one of the most reactionary Governments. The British, even the Germans, had broad, disinterested policies compared with the French. Now the Liberalism of the French stands head and shoulders above the British, the Germans, and, of course, the Spanish and Italians with their dictatorships.

The French are governed by their Radical and Radical-Socialist Parties, backed and to a large degree directed by the Socialist Party itself. Herriot and his friends are men of the most liberal view, and in addition, are closely associated with the avowed Socialists. At home they are bent on every type of reform which will better the conditions of life. Abroad they are fixed on two firm policies, not to have anything to do with the Vatican, and to enter into as close relations as possible with the Soviets. They are further the principal supporters of the Compulsory Arbitration Protocol. They have been praised by all Liberals as much as Polignac and his friends were condemned by them.

As long as Mr. MacDonald and his friends ruled in England, the average Frenchman was contented. For the average Frenchman is not only a Liberal, but a rather aggressive Democrat. Now that he has put aside the fear of the German he is his natural self, the descendant of revolutionists. Historically the French Revolution was last week, the Paris Commune was yesterday.

Cautious Liberalism

But now that Mr. MacDonald no longer rules in England, the average Frenchman is beginning to feel France stands alone, and the experience of the war was the French cannot stand alone. His Liberalism is cautious. He believes in Herriot, but he fears the effect of a Conservative Government in Britain and another in Germany.

Since the war, as the average man realizes, the countries of Europe are much more interdependent than before. No country can bravely change its policy without its affecting all the rest. When France turned Liberal last Spring it eased up the strain upon it, which was the result of the war. Now that Britain has gone Conservative the tension has increased again, and the strain is felt chiefly in the relations between England and France.

The average Frenchman, as a result, wants his Government to go slow. He is anxious that it do nothing that works against the interests of the British, or against what the British may consider their interests. Whether Herriot remains in power or not, much upon how he gets on with the British. And that means, as far as interior politics go, whether he allows himself to be influenced by his Socialist supporters in opposing the British because they no longer have a Government as Liberal as that of France.

Or, to put it as it is likely to prove to be, it depends upon whether the French Socialists force Herriot to what the British may consider to be an anti-British stand by developing the Franco-German and Franco-Soviet relations so rapidly as to appear in England to be an effort toward a Continental combine.

The safe and sane programme for Herriot would be to come to terms with Germany over the commercial treaty, to open business relations with Russia, but not in such a way as to make it appear France was leaning against the British, and not to continue making a leading issue out of the suppression of the embassy accredited to the Vatican.

Most Provide Outlet
The commercial treaty must arrange an outlet for Alsace and Lorraine products into Germany. The private arrangements being made between the Lorraine steel and the Ruhr coal magnates are aiding in this. But the Government has been wise enough to make them stop with that and not go on to make combines which affect distribution and thereby affect the British steel industry, which is not and does not wish to be in this Continental combine.

The Russian relations are not in any event likely to bring France into immediate opposition with the British, because there are still long negotiations ahead. The Soviet recognition may prove to be an embarrassment to the Government later on if the negotiations lead only to such an accord as MacDonald signed, but that is not an immediate difficulty due to French Liberalism. The trouble in this case would come from the French Conservatives.

Opposition to the Government which comes through its anti-clerical policy would also be from the same quarter and would be with the other. If a concerted opposition bent on overthrowing Herriot is developed it will have its force in malcontents of three kinds, who could overpower the Government not sufficiently friendly toward Britain and too friendly toward Germany, those who do not like the way the negotiations with the Soviet Government are conducted or the result they lead to, and the Clericals. United they may make at least a powerful opposition, which will undoubtedly make the Government realize the wisdom of going slow. Already the Government is awake to its dangers and so may avoid them.

In 1487 a man was appointed to take charge of the newly erected town clock in Boston.



In the Matabele Country

A True Story of a Perilous Journey

By A. St. Clair

It was on the "Zambesi Express" between Wankie and Bulawayo that I first made the acquaintance of Robert Carrington of Bellinewe. The young man's adventures were so remarkable that I welcomed the opportunity of hearing from his own lips a true account of this wonderful journey which he made through the heart of Matabeleland in the year of the great rebellion, 1896. The narrative is here set down just as he told it—without frills—a simple story of heroic deeds.

"I had been pegging out coal areas down in Portuguese Territory," he began, "when Chief M'tebi sent his son to warn me of the threatened rising and accompany me back to Bellinewe. The danger was that a forced march of over thirty miles, and decided to sleep the night at M'pusi's kraal. As we approached, the natives, though sitting in the groups outside the principal hut and appeared to be greatly excited about something. Occasionally, one of their number would spring to his feet and deliver an impassioned address, and altogether things did not look any too cheerful. But presently M'tebi's son, who had gone forward to interview the Chief, returned with a reassuring message.

"M'pusi says there is no doubt about the rains," he explained, "but you are his friend and need have no fear of treachery."

We were allotted a couple of huts, but I thought it strange that M'pusi himself neither came near us nor invited us to sit in the hut. In the middle of the night something happened that roused my suspicions more than ever. Just as I was dropping off to sleep, an old woman, who must have been concealed in a far corner of the hut, crept silently across the floor and whispered in my own language: "Sleep with your eyes open, master."

"Then she vanished like a bird of ill omen."

"Nothing came of it, however, except a sleepless night, and next morning we thanked the Chief for his hospitality and inquired as to the shortest and safest route to Bellinewe. His reply was a curious one:

"Over there," he said, pointing, "is the road by which you came, and yonder is the road to Bellinewe. The Matabele warriors are sitting round it like locusts, and they sing continually the war song that means 'death to the white man!'"

"Here was a pretty dilemma! In the circumstances it seemed useless to proceed further, and I determined to turn back. But M'tebi's son with this note to a friend of mine, a missionary's son at Bellinewe:

"Dear Harry,—I have got this far, only to hear that you are surrounded. If bearer reaches you safely, will you please send me a little tea and sugar and a few rounds of ammunition. I am returning, meanwhile, to M'tebi's."

"Well, that was the beginning of life of the most exciting days of my life. It rained in torrents most of the way, but we managed to cover twenty-five miles before reaching the station of Singoma's kraal. My two boys had lagged a mile or two behind, and I was alone when I had Snipe, a little fox terrier, that had followed me all the way from Portuguese Territory."

"Suddenly, on emerging from a dense thicket, I came on four black men sitting beside the path. They stared when I asked them for water, and a big, truculent-looking fellow, swaggery and with an evil leer, carried a calabash in his right hand, and said: 'Water!'"

"Water!" he said. "Oh, yes, certainly you may have a drink, white man. How far have you come today?"

"From M'pusi's," I replied, watching him narrowly.

"Yooch!" he exclaimed. "Has the white man the legs of a springbok, then? Al, al (No, no). It is impossible!"

"Without replying, I took the calabash that he held out, and was just in the act of tasting the refreshing liquid, when he made a grab at my arm, and with a lightning-like movement, loaded rifle, and native came at me with assegais. One thrust I evaded in the nick of time, while a shot from the other man struck my head. A fraction of an inch. The ping of the bullet sounded as loud as a sharp-shell!

"As I broke away and ran for my life, four more shots whizzed close past me, but on looking back I saw that a cartridge must have jammed, for three of my pursuers had stopped, and were all frantically trying to loosen it. The fourth, however, a young boy of perhaps seventeen, was close on my heels, and with all my sprinting powers I found it impossible to shake him off. Poor little Snipe yelped and panted in his efforts to keep up. For several miles we forced the pace like this, till my lungs must have been almost bleeding with the terrific strain, and at last, in desperation, I turned and faced the naked savage and began to pelt him with stones. That kept him at bay, notwithstanding his assegais, and I called out:

"See here, boy! Your friend back there said I had the legs of a springbok, and it is true, as you will find out if you continue chasing me much farther. He advised me to go home!"

"Taking some loose change from my pocket, I flung it on a flat grassy slab close by."

"There!" I said. "You can have all that if you leave me in peace."

"Where is the purse with the yellow money?" he cried.

"I still had a small flat stone in my hand, and this I threw swiftly into the long grass, at the same time breathing a silent prayer that the ruse would succeed. Apparently it had hoodwinked him, for he kept his gaze riveted on the spot where the stone had fallen, and began to walk slowly towards it."

"Go, you white dog!" he cried. "And do not venture into this land again, or we will give your flesh to

miles and more in different directions to make sure that I was not being followed. Four days later, to my great joy, M'tebi's son arrived with a little tea and sugar, but no ammunition.

"It transpired that the officer commanding the Bellinewe had ordered him to be shot as a rebel spy, asserting that it was quite impossible that I could still be alive, but in the dead of the night he escaped, and brought with him the news that the Matabele had made a surprise attack on the town, but had been beaten off with heavy loss."

"One never-to-be-forgotten day, three weeks later, I walked in Bellinewe, and was to report myself to the commandant. I can see his astonished face yet as he stared at me."

"Bob Carrington!" he gasped. "By all that's wonderful, how did you come to life? Why, man, you should be dead! You were murdered by those brute Matabele!"

"And the reception the men gave me! That, too, was something to remember. But perhaps it was only a coincidence that I had been a little short of a miracle that a white man should have travelled on foot, alone and unarmed, through the heart of the Matabele's country, and come out scathless at the other end."

"I'd like to tell you about our punitive expedition, and how we burned Singoma's kraals, but were due at Bulawayo in a few minutes, and anyhow, as Rudyard Kipling would say, all that is quite another story. Come and see me at Bellinewe if you want to hear it."

"The Boys' Own Paper."

A Nice Gift

Now that fathers and mothers, big brothers and sisters are wondering what they can find to give Jack or Mary or little Margery, here is one gift that will suit them all.

It is an English magazine published in London. It has articles for children, and it has pictures for children. It is a magazine that is full of interesting and amusing stories, and it is a magazine that is full of interesting and amusing pictures.

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Bubble Blowing

Our plot is small, but sunny times shut out all care and troubles, and there my little girl at times and I sit blowing bubbles.

The screaming swifts race to and fro, Bees cross the livid paling, Draughts lift and set the globes we blow In freakish currents sailing.

They glide, they dart, they soar, they fly, Oh, joyous little daughter! What lovely colored worlds we make, What crystal flowers of water!

One, green and rose, slowly drops; One, orange and yellow, a minute, And carries to the lime-tree tops Our home, reflected in it.

The gable, with cream rose in bloom, She sees from the roof to basement; "Oh, father, there's your little room!" She cries in glad amazement.

To her, enchanted with the gleam; The glamour and the glory, The bubble home's a home of dream, And I must tell the story.

Tell what we did, and how we played, And lived, divinely double— And not one rat more perceived to be left in the town, he afterwards came to demand his reward, according to his bargain; but was told that the rat was not made with him in good earnest.

The Pied Piper demanded the reward promised, and when it was finally refused, he vowed vengeance. Taking his pipe, he again played through the streets and was followed by a large number of boys, whom he led outside the gates to a hill in a side of which a huge hole suddenly appeared. Into the hole the Pied Piper and the children marched, whereupon the hole closed and the children were never seen again.

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The Birdie's Bath

(Can be sung to the old tune of "The Birdie's Bath.")

I'm sure you've heard of the "Birdie's Bath," Where birdies met, both great and small, They danced 'til night and piped their

Then wished each other "a very fine day!"

Chorus: Tra-la-la-la-la, tra-la-la-la-la, Tra-la-la-la-la, tra-la-la-la-la, Tra-la-la-la-la, la-la-la!

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A Learned Lady

Miss Rosaline Mason, editor of "I Can Remember Robert Louis Stevenson," is a learned Scottish author, who has written works of biography, and fiction, as well as other books and articles requiring thought and research.

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The Pied Piper

You have all read and enjoyed Browning's poem. At least, everyone enough to read this page should have done so. Perhaps you have wondered whether the poet made the story out of his head.

Well, it appears that the story is a very old one, much older than Browning's time, who, you know, lived in the last century. This poem is to pore over old books. Among these is the "Historia Regum," and it is thought that it was upon this Browning founded his poem.

There came into the town of Hamelin, an odd kind of companion, who for the fantastical cost he wore, being wrought with sundry colors, was called the Pied Piper. This fellow, forsooth, offered the townspeople for a certain sum of money, to rid the town of all the rats that were in it (for at that time the burghers were with that vermin plague).

In fine, being made, the Pied Piper, with a shrill pipe, went through all the streets and forthwith the rats came all running out of the houses in great numbers after him, all which he led into the River Weser, and therein drowned them. This done, and not one rat more perceived to be left in the town, he afterwards came to demand his reward, according to his bargain; but was told that the rat was not made with him in good earnest.

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The Story of My Cats

"THE cat came back," we often hear people say, and many stories are from time to time told of the long distances this animal will travel to reach its old home.

These were doubted by the great French naturalist, Fabre, but he learned that the cat really deserves his reputation as a "discerning pilgrim."

He tells us in his book on Mason Bees, the Story of My Cats. One day it was at Avignon—there appeared on the garden wall a wretched-looking cat, with matted coat and protruding ribs, so thin that his back was a jagged ridge. He was mewing with hunger. My children, at that time very young, took pity on him, and he was soaked in milk, was offered to him at the end of a reed. He took it. And the mouthful succeeded one another to such good purpose that he was saved and went off heedless of the "Puss! Puss!" of his compassionate friends.

Hunger returned, and the starving creature returned to the reed. He received the same fare of bread soaked in milk, the same soft words. He allowed himself to be tempted. He came down from the wall. The children were able to stroke his back. Goodness, how thin he was!

It was a great topic of conversation. We discussed it at table; we would tame the vagabond, we would keep him, we would make him a bed of hay. It was a most important matter. I can see to this day, I shall always see the sunbeams of that day, deliberating the cat's fate. They were not satisfied until the savage animal remained. Soon he grew into a magnificent cat, with a gleaming coat, his muscular legs, his reddish fur, flecked with darker patches, reminded one of a little jaguar. He was christened "Ginger" because of his tawny hue. A mate joined him later, and they lived on almost under similar circumstances. Such was the origin of a series of Gingers which I have retained for little short of twenty years through the vicissitudes of my various removals.

The first took place in 1870. A house was found at Orange, and Fabre says, "I was somewhat anxious about the moving of the cats. We were all of us, attached to them, and I should have thought it would be short of criminal to abandon poor creatures, whom we had so often petted to distress and probably to thoughtless harm. The cats, however, were a serious problem. I had two, the head of the family, the patriarch, and one of his descendants, quite as strong as himself. We decided to take the grandeur, if he consented to come, and to leave the grandson behind, after finding him a home."

My friend, Dr. Loriot, offered to take charge of the forsaken one. The animal was carried to him at nightfall in a closed hamper. Hardly were we seated at the evening meal, talking of the good fortune of our Tom cat, when we saw a dripping mass jump through the window. The shapless bundle came and rubbed itself against our legs, purring with happiness. It was the cat.

I learnt his story, next day. On arriving at Dr. Loriot's, he looked up in a bedroom. The moment he saw himself a prisoner in the unfamiliar room, he began to jump about wildly on the furniture, against the window-panes, among the ornaments on the mantelpiece, threatening to make short work of everything. Mme. Loriot was frightened by the lunatic, she hastened to open the window, and the cat leapt out among the passers-by. A few minutes later he was back at home. And it was no easy matter; he had to cross the town through a long labyrinth of crowded streets, amid a thousand dangers, including first, boys, next, dogs; lastly—and this perhaps was an even more serious obstacle—he had to pass over the Sorgue, a river running through Avignon. There were bridges at hand, many, in fact; but the animal, taking the shortest cut, had used none of them, bravely jumping into the water, as its streaming fur showed, I had pity on the poor cat, so faithful to his home. They planned to do our utmost to take him with us. We were spared the worry; a few days later he was found lying stark and stiff under a shrub in the garden, the simple hold of Lord Middleton and took part in the shooting at Plas Craik and at Hatoche. He had a narrow escape when Gabriel Dumont aimed his rifle at him.

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The time came when the officer, now the Earl of Minto, became Governor-General of Canada. He brought to his home in Ottawa, a beautiful and accomplished wife with their young daughters.

Perhaps it was from her husband, who had himself felt how desolate the lonely prairie could be, that his wife was inspired with pity for the women and children separated by weary miles from neighbors. Hospitality, he found, was one of their relief. There are Lady Minto Hospitals in our own Province. In our Eastern cities, too, this wise and generous lady found that that which could be given by generous, loving hearts.

In his high office, we are told, Lord Minto never forgot the fact that he was his place to carry out the will of the people. At the same time he was an agent of goodwill between the Mother Country and the Colonies. He was, however, in India, where he afterwards went, that Lord Minto did his greatest work. Of that you will some day learn more. There, too, Lady Minto helped her husband. He died in 1814, but she still lives, honored and beloved at home and in parts of the Empire as widely appreciated as Canada and India.

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Motors & Motoring

Increase Is Shown In Motor Licences Issued In Dominion

There are over 622,560 motor vehicles in the Dominion. According to a preliminary and, of necessity, incomplete survey of motor vehicle registrations just completed by the Automotive Industries of Canada, there are now owned in this country more than 555,321 passenger cars, 59,288 trucks and commercial cars and 7,953 motorcycles. The provincial returns are as of November 1, and so, in so far as they are complete, cover the first ten months of the current year. They reveal an increase of 42,404 passenger cars since the first of the year, of which 23,490 are Ontario's share and 5,717 trucks and commercial cars, 2,454 being Ontario's contribution to the increase of the Dominion. In other words, the people of Ontario have purchased more cars during 1924 than all the other provinces combined as well as nearly half the commercial motor vehicles bought by the entire Dominion.

Quebec, with a gain of considerably less than a quarter of that of Ontario, ranks third, in point of in-

crease, and second, in total registrations among the provinces. As will be observed from the appended tables, British Columbia, on the basis of the past registrations, had the largest relative gain and the second largest absolute one, advancing from sixth to fourth place among the provinces in the order of their motorization. Manitoba, it will be noted, has but little better than held her own in point of motor vehicle registrations. This is the first year that all the provinces have made available their motorcycle registrations. It is significant that there has been a steady shrinkage in motorcycle registrations for a number of years. This is attributed to the fact that good used cars are obtainable at prices below those of new motorcycles and that new cars of the cheapest class are priced but little higher than motorcycles. The apparent and real disparity in value has resulted in the contraction in sales of motorcycles. There was a time, not so long ago, when Ontario had approximately as many motor-

cycles as there are in the entire Dominion now.

The following table shows the total registrations in the Dominion of Canada by provinces for the year 1924 up to November 1, and the second one shows the passenger car, and truck and commercial car registrations for 1923:

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DUST ON PAINT AVOIDABLE BY USE OF SIMPLE TRUST

When the parts of a car are painted, it is inevitable that some dust will settle on the surface before the paint has set. With the under coats, a rubbing down after each coat will remove such dust; when a noticeable amount of dust settles on the finishing coat, the result is far from pleasing.

One way to avoid some of this trouble is to place all the parts which are easily removable in such a position that the largest surface—or the most important surface—is held as nearly as possible in a vertical position. For instance, fenders and hoods should be stood on their edges, while headlamps should be held with their faces upward. In this manner, the dust which would otherwise settle on them is avoided to a great extent and the finish will be proportionately better. If a number of cloth shields, kept moist with water, are placed around the parts, they will absorb some of the dust which floats about in the air.

Acceptance of used motor cars in part payment for new ones cost dealers \$60,000,000 last year and \$15,000,000 in the first nine months of this year, according to announcement by the National Automobile Dealers' Association.

COMPANY ANNOUNCES ANOTHER PRICE CUT

Second in Few Weeks Goes Into Effect on Hudson-Essex Cars—Great Demand Cause

Another price reduction, the second to be made by Hudson-Essex in recent weeks, went into effect last week, and was announced in Victoria by Mr. A. W. Carter, distributor here of Hudson and Essex cars.

"The great demand for Hudson and Essex coaches that has been felt by dealers the country over during recent months has resulted in increased production and buying of materials on a much larger scale, with the result that lowered prices for an improved product have again been made possible," said Mr. Carter.

Commenting on the latest price revision, Mr. Carter said Hudson-Essex coaches are by no means experiments with their builders. For three years more than \$8 per cent of the factory's production has been coaches. A factory communication received by Mr. Carter touches on the subject of closed car demand as follows:

"The rapid switch-over to enclosed cars is most striking. There is a realization everywhere that the motorist who can own only one car will surely want it of the enclosed type. He has to have it all-season utility. Especially in this season of the year the closed car demand is all but unanimous. Hudson-Essex realized this fact and brought out the first coach. Today the buyer of a Hudson-Essex coach knows that he is purchasing the greatest coach-building experience in the motor world."

Hudson-Essex is now nearing the end of its greatest year. All over the country, as in our own community, Hudson-Essex sales have consistently and strikingly increased despite the general let-down in the industry earlier in the year. That is because Hudson-Essex had the pioneering courage to build the coach, to design and build the wonderful new Essex six—in brief, to supply what the people have wanted."

"The Hudson and Essex coach bodies are identical. Each is of an outstanding high character. The performance of the two cars is similar, too, because the design is based on the patented and exclusive Super-Six principle. That accounts for the extraordinary smoothness, power, reliability and endurance. Hudson and Essex are built in the same factory, by the same workmen, and under the same designs. The difference is in size and price."

PUBLIC TODAY STILL BIG BUYER OF CARS

Saturation Point Is Myth, Say Hupp People, Pointing to Steady Sales of Machines

The long talked-of "saturation point" for motorcars is still a myth, if figures compiled by the Hupp Motorcar Corporation are a criterion. In checking domestic retail sales for the first eight months of 1924, 22.5 per cent of the total number of Hupmobiles bought by the public were "clean sales," that is, they involved no used car.

More gratifying from the factory standpoint, at least, is the discovery that more than forty per cent of all new cars sold went to men who have never owned Hupmobiles. Nearly thirty-four per cent of all sales actually involved the trade-in of a used Hupmobile.

More merchants and manufacturers bought Hupmobile cars than any other one class of people. Salesmen were second, professional men third and contractors and builders fourth. Of most unusual interest, perhaps, is the large number of women buyers, who as a class were fifth. They bought more cars during the period than even physicians or farmers, who have for years absorbed large numbers of Hupmobiles.

"We are considerably gratified to know that forty per cent of our sales went to Hupmobile owners," says Mr. Stan Wallis, of the Consolidated Motors (Victoria) Ltd., local Hupmobile representative. "It clearly shows that they were well satisfied, both with their car and with the service given them. After all, these are the biggest things any dealer has to sell."

Another striking fact revealed in the analysis was the large number of sales involving the trade-in of cars selling at more than the Hupmobile price. Nearly eight per cent of all sales were made to this class. Previous owners of lower priced cars were naturally the largest class of buyers recruited from ranks of owners of other makes.

CARCASS OF TIRE IS IMPORTANT PART SAYS TOM LUMSDEN

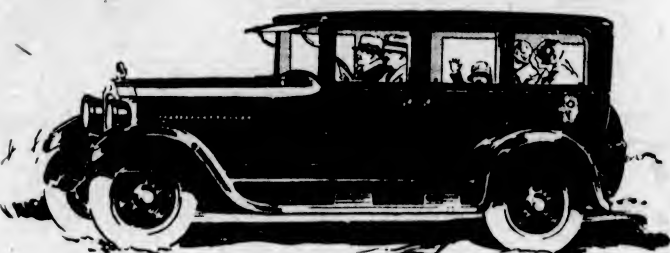
No part of an automobile tire is of more importance or should have more care in the construction than the carcass. The foundation, the backbone of the tire may not be slighted in any respect. If the finished product is to render satisfactory service, says Tom Lumsden, local Dominion tire distributor.

But there are many tires on the market that have all the outward appearance of first class products, ready to give satisfactory mileage, when in reality they are not even second or third grade goods. That appearance is deceiving applies to tires as well as men. Externally a tire may appear good, but internally it may be full of flaws. Its outward goodness may only cover a defective tire carcass, which blows out before the chagrined customer has turned the corner.

The endurance of a tire hinges not so much on resistance to road shocks as on its gently yielding to and absorbing them. It escapes the violence of impact to the degree in which it can bend and flex in every part of its resilient walls.

That is why Dominion tire men insist that the buyer's sole protection comes in his purchasing only tires of standard makes in which he can feel

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2 Pass. Duplex Roadster 1,870
2 Pass. Coupe Roadster 2,080
2 Pass. Coupe 2,480
2 Pass. Sedan 2,635
2 Pass. Berline 2,725

SPECIAL SIX
120 in. W.B., 65 H.P.

2 Pass. Duplex Phaeton \$2,190
2 Pass. Duplex Roadster 2,420
2 Pass. Coupe 2,695
2 Pass. Sedan 2,840
2 Pass. Berline 2,980

BIG SIX
127 in. W.B., 75 H.P.

2 Pass. Duplex Phaeton \$3,090
2 Pass. Coupe 4,195
2 Pass. Sedan 4,575
2 Pass. Berline 4,925

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Auto Jacks, from	\$3.15	Electric Horns, from	\$6.90
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Cigar Lighters, from	\$5.25	Vulcanizing Outfits, from ..	\$2.10
Rear View Mirrors, from ..	\$2.35	Thermos Bottles, from	\$5.80
Flower Vases, from	\$2.95	Flashlights, from	\$1.85
Trouble Lamps, from	\$2.25	Step Mats, from	\$2.95

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How Amateur Can Locate Rattles and Squeaks in His Car

By HAROLD F. BLANCHARD

When it comes to locating squeaks and rattles, the amateur has nearly as good a chance as the expert. The expert, of course, has the advantage of experience—he can think of more places to look, but otherwise the amateur is quite favorably situated since the finding and curing of miscellaneous noises is largely a matter of perseverance. The little science there is to the subject is quickly learned.

It should be remarked that a squeak is a high-frequency vibration which produces a (more or less) musical note, and is caused by the rubbing of two parts. Therefore when a squeak occurs the problem is simply to find the point of rubbing. The first step is to lubricate all chassis parts—assuming that they have not been oiled recently, and the second step is to squirt anti-squeak compound on the edges of the spring leaves. Having done these two things, it will be found in a great many cases that the squeak has disappeared. If it still persists, it must be located. In many cases the sound alone is not

sufficient clue, and when this happens, the proper procedure is to locate the point approximately by sound. If the noise appears to be in the body rather than in the chassis, it is feasible to locate the exact point of vibration by touch. Run the hands over various suspected parts until the point of maximum vibration is found. This method is particularly successful in finding squeaks in hood and cowl. Having found the point, squirt oil or anti-squeak compound on the offending part. Squeaks in more or less inaccessible units, such as between rear fender and body may often be stopped by squirting anti-squeak compound along the joint between the two.

A squeak in the hood may be stopped by applying oil or grease to the rubbing surfaces, although usually the fundamental cause is worn lacing, in which case new lacing is a permanent remedy.

Occasionally a squeak may develop in the speedometer drive shaft, the remedy being to remove the shaft at the speedometer and fill it with oil.

Squeaks or rattles in doors are often due to wear in the rubber buffers against which the door slams. New buffers or pieces of tire tread cemented to the buffers may be used to stop the rattle.

Rattles are occasionally due to loosening of equipment features, such as spare tire carriers, bumpers and so forth, and a brief examination should show the cause and the remedy. In connection with tire carriers, it should be said that sometimes the rivets will loosen up, in which case either new rivets should be applied or bolts should be put in their place. The shank of the bolt or rivet should be a good fit in the hole. Loose rivets in frame cross members may also produce elusive squeaks or rattles.

Generally speaking, rattles are due to loose or worn parts. Loose parts are caused by loose nuts as a rule. If the nuts on the car are tightened now and then rattles from this cause will rarely, if ever, occur. Worn parts are largely due to neglect of lubrication. Rattles in king pins and tie rod pins may be stopped by fitting new pins and bushings, and then if they are properly lubricated it will be a long time before they will wear enough for rattling to reappear. Rattles in the brake linkage are usually prevented by fitting the anti-rattle springs. In some cases

Expert Gives a Few Suggestions as to Squeaks and Rattles



A NEW HOOD LACING WILL PREVENT SQUEAKS in the HOOD



TIGHTENING A ROOSE BUMPER



LOOSE FITTINGS OR OTHER BODY FITTINGS MAY OCCASIONALLY CAUSE SQUEAKS OR RATTLES



A SQUEAKY SPEEDOMETER DRIVE SHAFT SHOULD BE FILLED WITH OIL

MOTOR NOTES

Mr. Pearl Tergeson, of the Tyre Shop, is leaving this morning for California, where he will spend the next six weeks looking into the balloon tire situation. "Balloon tires are now practically standard equipment on all makes of cars, and before very long these tires will be in need of repair, and it is for this reason that I am going south to get the latest information on the equipment needed for repairing these large tires," Mr. Tergeson intends visiting San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego and Tia Juana.

A motorist was arrested for assault and battery and brought before the judge. Judge (to the prisoner): "What is your name, occupation, and what are you charged with?" Prisoner: "My name is Marks, I am an electrician, and I'm charged with battery!" Judge: "Officer, put this guy in a dry cell!"

Renewed speculation over the widely discussed new Hupmobile Eight, first announced last Summer following the Hupmobile Car Corporation's announcement that it would add an eight-cylinder car to its long successful four-cylinder line, has now been accentuated by a further announcement that the new eight is designed to fill in the automotive market. "It is our serious contention" officials of the Hupmobile factory say, "that the new Hupmobile Eight and other four, six or eight-cylinder cars, Hupmobile has designed and built this car because of a deep conviction that the advantages of the eight have been needlessly denied the average family. In that respect the car is a distinct departure to eight-cylinder engineering, a widening of the usefulness of an eight which removes it from the realm of indulgence and makes it a practical, economical family motor car."

A car parked by the sidewalk is a good thing to lean against while waiting for one's wife to come out of a store. Owners like this, as it enables them to try out the various pollsters that are on the market.

Thomas H. Himey, Ltd., are to be congratulated on their excellent Christmas display. The window is packed with accessories suitable for Christmas gifts with the usual Santa Claus "on the job" taking orders for future delivery.

Mr. George Lillie, of the Automotive Equipment House, was recently appointed Victoria distributor for Dunlop tires.

Another drop has been announced by Hudson-Essex. This is another big jolt to the motor world.

Old old friend Silver Tightwad, the original of his species, refuses to put a heater in the family's closed car. Silver tells them that the dash light furnishes enough heat.

"We are all ready for the Christmas trade," says Mr. Jim Todd, manager of the Begg Motor Company, Ltd. "Business looks very promising for the next ten days, and already we have several cars ordered for delivery Christmas morning."

Mr. Jack Trace, of Havercomb Motors, Ltd., says that Ford sales have shown a big increase so far this month. To date six touring and five closed cars have been sold.

Small dents in the fenders are unsightly, and are usually the hardest to remove, owing to the shortness of the bend. Hammering is helpful, but usually some marks are left which are readily noticed. A much easier repair and one which leaves no indications that a repair has been made, is to fill the dent with solder. The dent is first scraped clean of all paint and polished with emery cloth, after which soldering paste is applied. A torch is then applied to the under side of the fender, while a piece of solder wire is melted into the dent. After the solder is built up slightly higher than the fender, it may be filed off, flush. Sandpapering and painting completes the repair.

The American Automobile Association estimates that 100,000 motorists will tour to Florida and intermediate points during the Winter season. There are thirty-three recognized public camps in Florida and thirty-six in Georgia.

WHAT, AFTER ALL, IS AN AUTOMOBILE?

What is an automobile? Is a question often asked. First of all, the automobile is a time saver. It adds years to the life of every busy man, because it avoids waste of time in slow movement.

The automobile is a liberator of men because it frees them from the tyranny of gravitation's law—until there came the machine conquering that law.

Think how slowly men crept from place to place only yesterday. From the farm to the village, from the home to the church or theatre, they jogged at the slow pace of horse or street car.

W. H. Vanderbilt's Maud S. able to trot a mile in a little more than two minutes was to him worth more than \$100,000, although she would not continue her fast trot for more than three minutes at a time.

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Most automobile driving is careful and considerate, declares George H. Pride, of the Traffic Planning and Safety Committee of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce. "There were approximately 16,000 motor fatalities last year," Pride says. "The average annual mileage of a motor vehicle is estimated at 5,000, applying this to the 16,000,000 cars and trucks registered, gives a total of 75,000,000,000 car miles. From these figures it appears that there is a motor fatality on the average of every 4,000,000 miles of car driving."

President Washington and General Green's wife once danced three hours straight.

HEATED PARKING SPACES IN VOGUE IN WINNIPEG

Cold weather as a detriment to Winter operation of an automobile is gradually being overcome. Hood covers and anti-freeze have done their share to aid in the all-year operation of cars, and the final obstacle in the danger of downtown parking is also being eliminated. Electric heaters that keep the engine warm while the car is left standing for any length of time have been in use for several years, but now comes the electric-heated parking space. Parking spaces in the centre of Winnipeg are being equipped with electric outlets where the car owner may plug in his car and leave it for any length of time secure in the knowledge that it will be ready to start when he wants it. The same device does away with a heated garage as an absolute necessity for the Winter operation of automobiles, as the electric heat can be connected with an ordinary light outlet and thus keep the car warm overnight.

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A new fender was wanted and Lieut. Arnold's friend naturally wanted it installed on the car before the arrival of the flier in Dayton. Express men promised the fender could be delivered in Dayton in time, and said to make it possible they would use extraordinary efforts to speed action.

Major Lamphere, commander of the first pursuit group of the army air service stationed at Selfridge Field, Mt. Clemens, had a pursuit ship, one of the fastest airplanes in regular service, wheeled out and the new fender was speeded to McCook Field at Dayton. When the plane Chicago taxied up to the line at McCook Field, Arnold's car, as shiny as when it was presented to him on the Auditorium stage in Chicago, was waiting for him.

DENSE FOG TIES UP ANTWERP SHIPPING

BRUSSELS, Dec. 12.—An intense fog has paralyzed navigation along the coast and on the River Scheldt for the last three days. No ships, with the exception of a mail boat, have arrived in Antwerp since Wednesday. Some forty vessels were anchored to-day at the mouth of the Scheldt around Flushing, awaiting the lifting of the fog.

German Metal Exports Decline

NUREMBERG, Germany, Dec. 13.—The metal ware exports of Germany recently have amounted to only about forty per cent of the pre-war figures, according to announcement of the German Metal Ware Manufacturers' Association. The decline, it is said, is due to the protective measures adopted by many countries which formerly consumed considerable quantities of German goods.

American-made cars are popular with the Swiss. Of the 18,800 automobiles registered in Switzerland it is estimated that one-third were made in the United States.

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In the days when the demand for a self-starter developed, McLaughlin adopted a starter that was absolutely correct in principle, and that has operated successfully from the very beginning, to the complete satisfaction of thousands of motorists who have operated the cars since the starter was adopted.

The same method was pursued with service brakes for the rear wheels. These brakes, which have been used by McLaughlin-Buick over a period of many years, have proven to be extremely efficient from the standpoint of stopping the car and simplicity of adjustment.

But when motoring conditions brought about the necessity for service brakes of still greater efficiency, McLaughlin-Buick searched the world for ideas and brakes on all four wheels. After exhaustive research in testing out the brakes of various types of construction, they incorporated the same type of brake that has proven so successful on the rear wheels for so long a time.

The adoption of this brake on the front wheels necessitated the designing of the frame and front axle.

The thousands of motorists who drive McLaughlin-Buick cars are familiar with the simplicity and efficiency of the service brakes that have been used on McLaughlin-Buick for so long a time. When it is realized that the brakes now used on the front wheels are exactly the same type of construction that had been used for years on the rear wheels, it is readily seen that no experiment is being made in their adoption of four wheel brakes.

FRESH SPARK PLUGS AID WINTER DRIVING

Economical to Secure New Parts If Old Have Given More Than 8,000 Miles of Service

With the approach of Winter, cold motors, alcohol in radiators and thick lubricating oil, the installation of a complete new set of spark plugs is the best kind of economy if the present ones have given 8,000 or more miles of service, according to Mr. A. E. Humphries, of A. E. Humphries Motors, Ltd., local Dodge distributor.

Efficient spark plugs only should be used at all times, Mr. Humphries points out. They more than pay for themselves in all seasons by improved engine performance. But, he emphasizes, they are of even greater importance in cold weather. It is in extremes of temperature that engine operation is least efficient. A world of difference exists between engine efficiency at near or below zero temperature and warmer climates.

"New spark plugs are of vital importance in improving engine operation in cold weather," he says. "They also facilitate easier starting, which, under the best engine conditions, is difficult in Winter. Thousands of tests have proved that a new set of spark plugs as cold weather begins not only makes starting easier and better engine performance certain, but actually saves enough in oil and gas to pay for themselves." "Why it is real economy not to attempt to start the Winter with plugs that have undergone 8,000 or more miles of use is easily understood when the part that spark plugs play in engine operation is definitely understood.

"In the engines used in motor cars today the charge is fired in each cylinder at every other revolution of the crankshaft. This means that the plugs must deliver the firing spark from 400 to 1,500 times per minute, according to the speed of the engine. "The temperature around the firing points varies, after the engine is thoroughly warm, from 600 to 1,800 degrees Fahrenheit, the average being around 1,300. In most motors, also, oil is being continuously splashed on and burned off the plug. "This tremendous heat and stress, due to the rapidly alternating compression and firing strokes, gradually affects the efficiency of the spark plug, no matter how well made it may be."

SPEED? DEFINE IT IF YOU ARE ABLE

Man Who Does Not Watch Speedometer Speeds at Any Speed, Declares Writer

(By J. L. Middleton.)

While the majority of all automobile accidents are accredited to "speeding," it is nevertheless true that one motorist can run along at 40 miles per hour without mishap, while another will get into trouble at 15. This undeniable fact is causing many car owners to wonder just what speeding is, anyway.

What is speeding? Since it is the primary cause of a majority of all automobile accidents, isn't it about time that it is plainly defined? A great many motorists think that there is something magically safe about motoring when the speedometer hogs close to 20 miles per hour. Yet speeding can happen at any speed.

One driver has discovered that much can be learned about speeding by driving the car with the speedometer disconnected. For the test he secured the services of a friend who followed him over a prescribed course in another car. The driver with the disconnected speedometer proceeded just as he would under normal conditions, and then checked up with the actual speed record, as noted by the friend following him. The results were surprising. Invariably he drove from five to fifteen miles an hour faster than he thought he was doing.

This was particularly noticeable in traffic and in going down hill on the open highway. An interesting thing happened on one of these tests. The sudden appearance of another car, turning in from a cross road, called for the quickest possible stop. The driver without a speedometer actually failed to stop in time to avoid a collision, just because he thought he was stopping quickly enough, and never bothered to reach for the emergency brake until it was too late. The experiment showed plainly

that the average driver cannot guess his speed, and he invariably goes faster than he thinks. It shows that a car driver is speeding whenever his conception of a safe stopping distance is less than the actual stopping distance. Putting two and two together, this experience shows that a driver who drives without a speedometer, or who does not watch his speedometer, is speeding—at any speed.

OLYMPIC WINNERS RETIRE

LONDON, Dec. 13.—H. M. Abrahams and Eric Liddell, the winners of the 100 metres and 400 metres races at the Olympic Games in Paris this year, have definitely retired from the track, according to authoritative sporting sources.

Abrahams' work at the bar prevents him from doing the necessary training for sprint work and Liddell has decided to go out to China next spring to teach in a missionary school, it is said.

When the steering wheel seems to turn harder than usual, a flat tire is the most probable explanation, and sometimes there is a tendency for the car to edge toward the side where the trouble has developed.

PYTHIANS WELCOME GRAND CHANCELLOR

Far West Victoria Lodge Knights of Pythias, at their meeting Thursday evening, welcomed W. H. Jones, of Nanaimo, grand chancellor commander of the order in British Columbia. Brother Jones was accorded a hearty welcome by the large number of members present, who all appreciated the visit from the grand chancellor.

The lodge decided to hold a hard times dance next Thursday evening in their large hall. Charlie Hunt's orchestra has been engaged for the occasion, and will furnish the latest dance music. Good clothes, boiled shirts or collars should not be worn, as a prize will be given to the lady and gentleman wearing the most appropriate hard times apparel. The prizes will be awarded by popular vote of the guests. Encouraged by the success of the radio dance, the same committee, consisting of Brothers J. M. Hughes, G. W. Allison and A. Manson, were appointed to carry out the necessary arrangements and make the rag dance a huge success from a social standpoint.

At the close of the meeting a mock parliament was opened with a large

gathering of Knights and Pythian Sisters. Much amusement was created by the witty criticisms hurled at the mock parliament's policy by J. M. Hughes, leader of the opposition and by P. J. Sinnott and J. W. Casey, labor members. The mock government was also defended by G. W. Allison, L. Oliver and A. G. Harding. J. H. Hammond moved the adjournment of the debate, which will be resumed on the third Thursday evening in the new year.

Grand chancellor commander, W. H. Jones, occupied Mr. Speaker's chair and found much difficulty in holding the honorable members down to the rules of parliamentary procedure.

MR. CHURCHILL'S VIEW DESCRIBED AS FAIR

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Commenting editorially on the recent utterance of Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the British Exchequer, to the effect that "any payments" made by our debtors in Europe to their creditors in the United States should be accompanied by proportionate payments to Britain, The New York World says this morning:

"This attitude is fair to the United States. It is not by a single inch more

than fair to Great Britain. It should be satisfactory in Washington, as it will be, we believe, in the homes of our people.

"As a great trading and investing nation, the United States cannot in the long run afford to imperil world trade relations by insistence, which might prove barren, upon being treated as a preferred creditor."

The Herald-Tribune says: "Great Britain has funded her war borrowings from us on terms which she considered fair and reasonable. Great Britain is not in a position to remonstrate with the United States about the terms of its other war debt settlements. If France and the United States can agree on a reasonable refunding plan, that is a matter between the French Government and ourselves."

Workers' Fatal Quarrel

TORONTO, Dec. 12.—Struck over the head with a steel bar in a quarrel with another worker, near the plant of the Brunswick-Johns-Manville Company here yesterday, Nick Jorowski died in hospital this morning. George Seymour, a cleaner at the factory, was arrested by detective this morning and charged with murder. Jorowski leaves a widow and one child.

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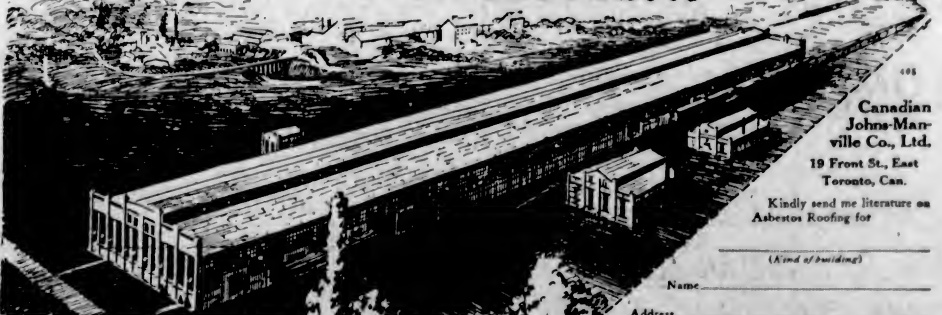
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IN THE RADIO WORLD

Activities of Radio Enthusiasts in Canada, the United States and Foreign Lands

MACHINE BROADCASTS RADIO PHOTOGRAPHS

Natural Tints Are Retained—Australian Demonstrates Spectacular Invention in London

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Colored pictures transmitted by radio were shown here recently for the first time in Europe.

Captain George A. Taylor, president of the Association for Developing Wireless in Australia, New Zealand and Fiji, demonstrated his machine for transmitting them and explained the process.

The colored pictures for transmission by radio is photographed through screens on to metal plates in the ordinary way for printing in the three primary colors—yellow, red and blue. Each plate is printed in black ink and the print is enlarged so that when acid etched on a metal plate it will have deep etchings between the screen lines.

The plate is then placed on a cylinder moving with a needle coming in contact with the metal parts untouched by the acid, and such contacts are transmitted by radio over any distance in the simple "dot and dash" method, the "dot and dash" being easily picked up as in ordinary reception by radio, and made to establish contact by means of an ink-marker on to a cylinder moving at the same speed as that at the transmitter.

The receiving cylinder, however, is covered with paper so that at the receiving station the picture is received in black as transmitted. It is then reduced to the original size and printed in color, the black print of which has been transmitted. The three pictures received at the receiving station are reduced and printed in the three primary colors—yellow, red and blue. This gives the effect as shown on the original colored picture at the transmitting station.

Captain Taylor, in showing the machine at work, explained that it opened the way for many possibilities. He predicted the early showing of happenings afar off in all their glory of color. He also explained a process by which drawings can be shown being made at a distance, and how colored pictures and cartoons will be broadcast during their actual making.

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Enters Radio Field

Mr. George Weiler, of the Weiler Auto Supply House, announced yesterday that he had definitely entered the radio field, and expected within the next few days a large shipment of Westinghouse Radiola sets. "Radio is certainly taking the country by storm," says Mr. Weiler. "Radio is a very fascinating hobby and will give both young and old hours of real enjoyment. The new radio sets have wonderful range, and even the small ones can easily reach Chicago." The Weiler Auto Supply House is also distributor for the famous Philadelphia Diamond Grid "A" and "B" radio batteries.

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Listening In With Hi-Mu

Do you remember that line in Hamlet which reads: "There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, than are dreamt of in thy philosophy?"

I am reminded of it by several recent incidents, which illustrate very strikingly the possibilities of radio for amusement and instruction of which we have now but a glimmering.

Imagine, for example, the isolated lighthouse keeper at his dreary and monotonous post, linked by radio with the outer world as he enjoys his evening cup of coffee. Yes, that is but one.

Another: that of an old man of ninety-three with whom I was personally acquainted. He lives in a small town. Rather feeble and of shuffling gait, he can get out but little. But with a radio, and he today, with "the world on his dial," daily delights in fresh and inspiring contacts with life.

A deaf mute, Harry Lufony, of Jersey City, N.J., "listens in" on radio programmes by unweaving the phone caps and touching the diaphragms with his finger tips. He declares he enjoys such reception immensely.

What a vista of wonderful possibilities these instances open up. I think you will agree, however, that such indeed is he who would venture to predict from these the still greater and vaster accomplishments of the radio of tomorrow.

RADIO PROGRESS IN AUSTRALIA

Broadcasting Will Be Revolutionized in Southern Dominion Next Year Is Prediction of Experts

HOW GOVERNMENT CONTROLS OPERATION

Sir George Tallis, Chairman of Broadcasting Commission, Is Convert to American Methods

BROADCASTING in Australia will be revolutionized next year according to an American pattern, Sir George Tallis, chairman of the Australian Broadcasting Company, announced before he sailed for London recently.

"If we can approach the remarkable quality of your broadcasting I am satisfied that the future of radio in Australia is tremendous," Sir George stated in an interview with a representative of The New York Herald Tribune. "I am anxious now to have some of your engineers come to Australia to help us get results comparable with yours."

Sir George said that the situation in Australia is much different than in America as regards broadcasting. In the first place, he pointed out that his country has little more than five million inhabitants. Besides, radio is a recent innovation in a country that has an area greater than the United States. Largely because of this, he said that radio had not gone much beyond the limits of the large cities and large towns.

Practically all artists are paid for their services in Australia. Publicity means little or nothing to the artist. He is primarily concerned with monetary returns. This condition can be met on account of the peculiar status of broadcasting. In Australia the government taxes each set owner, regardless of the type of set, thirty-five shillings a year. Of this amount the Australian Broadcasting Company receives 75 per cent. Most of the artists hired are those engaged by J. C. Williamson Films, Ltd., in which Sir George and Frank Thring, who accompanied Sir George to America, are large stockholders. In fact, this theatre organization controls about 80 per cent of the motion picture houses in Australia. Besides, Sir George said that he is interested in concerns that sell radio apparatus, so that, with the government subsidy and the sale of sets, broadcasting would seem to be a success.

Methods in Australia

Sir George has become completely converted to American methods. He has purchased apparatus for resale in his home land; he will begin the publication of a radio magazine shortly after his return, fashioned on the style of American magazines. He displayed a pile of data for a show and a magazine that would convince anyone that he is thoroughly amazed at American methods.

At present the Australian Broadcasting Company has two stations in operation. Within a short time he expects to have two more working. In time he hopes to reach the man in the back country, to whom radio will mean even more than to the urban dwellers.

Theoretically there is no monopoly of broadcasting in Australia. But it would be impossible for anyone to break into the field. To operate a broadcasting station requires the consent of the Australian Government, which would not subsidize a new advertiser into the field. Furthermore, there is the hitch in that the government has to pass on proposed programmes. This makes it easy for the government to turn down an application.

Sir George visited station WEAU and the laboratories of the Western Electric Company and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, where he was acquainted with American methods by some of the latest devices for transmission and reception of radio programmes. It was interesting to note that during these visits he referred to sets not by that name, but as machines, which is the Australian usage.

Two Australian Stations

At present Sir George said he operates a station at Sydney and another at Melbourne. The Sydney station is a 5,000-watt outfit. Another one is being planned, but as yet the location has not been decided. Sir George said that American radio engineers will have a great deal to do with determining what type of station the new one will be.

There is no radio apparatus manufactured in Australia, and Sir George said that he did not look forward to entering that phase of radio. Most apparatus now comes from Great Britain. Newspapers give little attention to radio in Australia, and Sir George believes his magazine will be the first effort to reach the fans and the uninformed through the printed page.

Russell Scott Condemned To Death at Chicago

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—A jury, after forty-five minutes' deliberation, tonight found Russell Scott, former Canadian financial wizard, guilty of the murder of Joseph Maurer, nineteen-year-old cigar clerk, during a hold-up last April, and fixed his punishment at death on the gallows. The jury took two ballots.

Fines were levied on persons selling card packs in Puritan New England.

NO STUDIO NEEDED BY INDIANAPOLIS STATION

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 13.—Represented for over a year now by only a low power broadcasting station, Indianapolis can be tuned in nationally again since the recent opening of WFBM, 250 watts, 243 meters, the Merchants Heat and Light Company here.

The new broadcaster is unique in that it has no studio. Programmes are picked up from stations such as KDKA, WGY and others on a special five tube receiving set and are relayed direct through WFBM. C. A. Postman, chief engineer and builder of the station, announces the call of the station being relayed as well as his own.

Efficient Ship Captains Clear Up Stowaways

MANILA, Dec. 13.—Manila's fame up and down the China coast as a good port for beachcombers, where stowing away on army transports has been easy, is passing away. Sneezes, coughs, and the chemical warfare service of the Philippine department of the United States army, is forced into the hold of every transport for a period of 24 hours just before departure, thus making the hold uninhabitable. Not a single stowaway was found on the transport Thomas when it touched at China on its last trip. On previous trips the discovery of fifteen or twenty was not uncommon.

BRITISH WORKERS VISIT RUSSIA

MOSCOW, Dec. 13.—Members of the British Trade Union delegation to Russia were enthusiastically received by Soviet authorities upon their arrival. The committee is making an investigation of the conditions of Russian trade unionism with a view of establishing international unity of workmen's organizations.

KHJ FINDS SOLUTION TO QUESTION OF PAY

Experience Proves That Programmes Are Better—Artists Are Paid Indirectly by Donors

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Has the answer to the question, "Who shall pay for radio broadcasting?" reached a satisfactory settlement? The Department of Commerce year book seems to think that it has.

The introduction of the commercial element into radio broadcasting is probably the most important development during the past year. Previously all broadcasters sent out programmes at their own expense, but recently some stations established a fixed rate per hour for the use of their transmitters.

"It now appears possible," the year book states, "that the cost of broadcasting may be borne more and more by those wishing to reach the great audience available through this system of communication."

Station KHJ believes that they have found a solution to the question. They reiterate the statements made by the departmental year book. "Uncle John" Daggett, director of the station, stated that at the time KHJ first went on the air an appeal was made for the artists to come and appear before the microphone for the good that they could do.

Practically every programme now presented over KHJ is being put on by some bank, store or industry of Los Angeles or vicinity. The artists are being paid by the donor of the programmes, not as much as they usually get for regular performances, but enough to feel that they are being paid for their work, and that it is not charity.

KHJ has always been noted for the level excellence of its programmes and it is thought this new scheme, evolved through expediency and experience, will bring even a higher class of entertainment to the listeners.

Old and New Batteries

It is not advisable to connect old and new B batteries of the dry cell type in series in the same circuit. The reason for this is that the internal resistance of the old batteries is very high and your set is apt to be very noisy.

For Dry St. Patrick's Day

DUBLIN, Dec. 12.—The question of whether St. Patrick's Day shall be wet or dry has caused a block in the Dail Eireann and the Free State Senate over the Government's compromise liquor bill. The Senate today persisted in its decision to insist on the reinsertion in the bill of a provision making St. Patrick's Day dry. This provision had been struck out by the Dail.

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The Colonist's Pictorial Page



Sir Charles Wright, K.B.E., who has been on a shooting trip in Canada, is shown waving a farewell to this continent before sailing from New York to Europe



Alexa Stirling, of Atlanta, Ga., three times woman golf champion of the U.S., is now engaged to marry Dr. Wilbert G. Fraser, of Ottawa, Canada. Miss Stirling is also an accomplished violinist



Miss Hattie Ballentyne of San Francisco, Calif., shows you her champions, "Goldstone King" and "Goldstone Queen," English bulldogs, which have yet to lose a first prize



After fruitless efforts to find a place in Mexico or some other country where they might marry without Eugene V. Brewster, New York millionaire publisher, being liable for bigamy, the millionaire and Corlis Palmer sailed away to Bermuda recently



A fire of supposedly incendiary origin, breaking out in the stables of the Tijuana, Mexico, race track the day following the opening of the famous track, destroyed five of the stables and killed many of the expensive horses



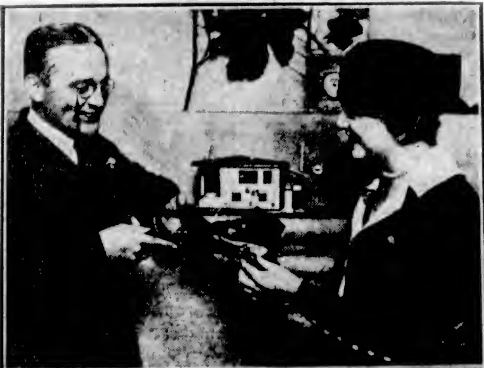
Forty years ago Captain James F. Hill, of the Illinois Militia, made an agreement with two of his friends that the first two to die would communicate with the last left living. Capt. Hill has now been waiting 25 years for a message



Here is the latest study of Mlle. Parisys, noted French actress, pictured with her famous pearls, which are known over the world to be beyond compare for their lustrous beauty and gradation



Charles Hoff, of Norway, who is characterized as "the greatest all-around athlete in the world," is shown clearing the bar at the world's record of 4.20 meters. He is expected in America this winter



Major J. Andrew White, called the dean of American radio announcers, and Miss Edith Bennett, concert star, inspect a perfect receiving set built in an old shoe at the Chicago radio fair



Charles Boyce has passed a test given at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, showing that his mental age is 19, although but 11. The average adult has a mind rating 16 years. Charles will enter college at 12



Pack horses belonging to a surveyor of the staff of the Topographical Survey of Canada encounter a wet trail near Hay Lake in Northern Alberta



No cauliflower ears for Phil Krug, welter-weight, who is shown training for his fight with Dave Shade recently. Phil wears a mask to prevent marring his facial beauty



Princess Juliana, 15-year-old daughter of Queen Wilhelmina of Holland, has set the nation talking by her infatuation for a young cantor, whom she visited frequently at a Jewish synagogue, until escorted home by a lady-in-waiting, as shown in the photograph



Prof. William Einthoven, of Leyden University, has been awarded the 1924 Nobel prize for medicine for the invention of a mechanism whereby it is possible to make motion picture X-ray records of the movements of the heart



One of the last corn husking scenes on a northwestern farm shows the almost lifeless trees against the sky, while the farmer hurries to garner the few remaining ears before the heavy snows arrive

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- (5) Full-size concrete basement containing hot water heating plant, fuel tank, laundry tubs, Chinaman's room and jam room.
- (6) Sleeping porch, large cupboards, linen closet.
- (7) Attractive garden, oak trees, double garage with rear entrance.

One must visualize the interior to appreciate the comfort of a really delightful home, which we are offering at a reasonable price.

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This house is of bungalow type, of extra special construction and finish, in the natural grain, and immune from draughts. It has a large front porch, a large rear porch, and a large side porch, all with reception walls, which has two sets of stairs, one to the main rooms and the other to the lower rooms. The living room, with its large windows, is inviting, while the large dining room, with its large windows, is equally inviting. The kitchen is equipped with a large sink, a large stove, and a large refrigerator. The bedrooms are large and comfortable, and the bathrooms are modern and well-kept. The house is a real home, and one who has seen it will not be disappointed.

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\$5250—JUST SOUTH OF OAK BAY
Avenue, near sea and golf course. A modern, view, pleasant surroundings, proximity to park, beach, car line, schools, and walking distance of the city. The grounds are well kept. There is a good garage and a well-kept garden.

\$1500—QUARTER ACRE GARDEN
GALWAT, with cement basement and furnace, open fire and very convenient; half lot, 40x120, on 1/4 acre. Excellent value. Very low terms.

\$2500—HALF ACRE RICH GARDEN
and an up-to-the-minute, completely furnished, bungalow, containing large rooms, bath, toilet and pantry, also sleeping porch. The house is a real home, and one who has seen it will not be disappointed.

\$2500—BEST YET—4-roomed
practically new, modern bungalow, with large living room, dining room, kitchen, and bathroom. The house is a real home, and one who has seen it will not be disappointed.

\$1600—4-roomed bungalow
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section. Ideal family home of 4 rooms. Hot reception and dining rooms are part of the house. The house is a real home, and one who has seen it will not be disappointed.

\$2950—1 1/2 ACRES, near 5-room bungalow
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Matter of the Estate of W. James Rennie, late of Victoria, British Columbia, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the late W. James Rennie, who carried on business in Victoria, B.C., under the name and style of the Rennie Bros. Store, and died on the 14th day of November, 1914, at Victoria, B.C., are required to send to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of January, 1925, a full statement of their claims and of any securities held by them, duly verified, and that after that date the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims particular of which shall then have been sent or delivered to the undersigned.

And further take notice that all parties indebted to the said estate are required to pay each indebtedness to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of January, 1925, at which time the claims of the said estate shall be paid, and that after that date the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims particular of which shall then have been sent or delivered to the undersigned.

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A Weekly Review of Religious News

A Church Membership of Slaves
Gaining their freedom twenty years before the Proclamation of Emancipation, a band of liberated slaves from the Southern States, found a home for themselves in the forest of Southern Ontario, near the present town of Canfield. Earnest Christians of the Baptist denomination they met for worship first in the log cabin of Deacon Stegney, a structure 10 x 14 feet in size, and later in a small chapel built also of logs, moving in more recent times into the present brick edifice. The church at Canfield has recently been celebrating with appropriate services its organization eighty years ago.

The Church Union Situation
Dr. Leslie Pilgson, of Winnipeg, on behalf of the Church Union committee, and Rev. W. F. McConnell, of Toronto, and Rev. Dr. Clay, of Victoria, and Rev. Duncan Campbell, of Chilliwack, for the Presbyterian Association, were heard by the Private Bill Committee of the B.C. Legislative assembly. Discussion has waged mainly around the distribution of local church property. The proposal of

General Odium, of the committee, that division be made on the basis of the comparative votes of the two parties in the congregation, was rejected by the Unionists as contrary to the principle of the General Assembly that congregations go in or stay out as congregations, taking their property with them intact.

Declarations of the purpose to enter the new church are being made by ministers of many Presbyteries throughout the Dominion. In the Westminster Presbytery, which includes Vancouver, fifty-four have signed up; in Victoria Presbytery nineteen out of twenty-four; in Kamloops, Kootenay and Cariboo all but one minister in each. Thirteen of the seventeen ministers of pastoral charges of Calgary Presbytery have made a similar declaration. In the synod of Manitoba only six votes against the union resolution, and Hamilton synod registered fourteen against to thirty-eight in favor. Both sides are urging all congregations to take an early vote immediately after December 30.

Considerable verbal conflict has been evident in Eastern journals

especially, concerning what the opponents of Church union claim is the theologically radical element in the Methodist Church. One Toronto congregation has impugned their orthodoxy. Earnest disclaimers have been made by the Methodist Church Union Committee which points to the church's acceptance of the basis of faith of the United Church. Many Presbyterian leaders have deprecated what they aver is an unwarranted attack on the good faith of the sister church. The Presbyterian Witness speaks against what it terms "the insincerity of the charges of Modernism against church union leaders," and states that two of the most pronounced Modernists in the Presbyterian Church are leaders of the anti-unionists.

Rev. Dr. J. Macartney Wilson, formerly of Calgary, in an article in The Presbyterian Witness, states that the "We Free" Church in Scotland is dwindling, seventy-four of its one hundred and fifty-four congregations being without ministers, the situation in the foreign field being similarly inert.

More Canadian News
Out of a population of 13,000 Chinese in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, there are 2,000 Chinese enrolled in eighty Christian schools connected with the various churches, who are being taught by one thousand teachers.

There is a Hebrew Christian mission in Vancouver.

The B.C. Bible Society will erect a "Tyndall" Bible house next year. It being four hundred years since William Tyndall translated the first New Testament into the English tongue.

Canadian Y.M.C.A. members number over 46,000, and the associations are operated on a yearly budget of \$1,744,000. The first Dominion convention since 1920 was recently held in Preston, Ont.

In the absence of the pastor on vacation, Sherbrooke Street Methodist Church, Montreal, listened to the service of St. James Methodist Church, the congregation following the service throughout from the opening "let us pray" to the taking of the offertory as announced in the sister church. This is claimed to be the first instance in Canada of two church services being synchronized by radio.

The Canadian Churchman, at the suggestion of Bishop Lloyd of Saskatchewan, is issuing a special Saskatchewan edition weekly. This organ of the Canadian Anglican church, a general circulation of 10,000 copies, Bowman's Methodist Church of the Ancestor circuit, near Hamilton, as a historic centre, was visited on Thanksgiving Day in connection with the centenary of the Missionary Society. Here Peter Jones, the noted Indian missionary, was converted, and in the conference held in this church in 1823, Victoria College, The Christian Guardian and the Book Room were initiated. A tablet was unveiled to mark the origin of the first "class" formed in 1823.

Conducted by Rev. Gayner Banks, of the Society of the Nazarene, a mission of spiritual healing was held last month in Windsor, Nova Scotia. The Canadian Churchman reports a number of physical healings, but no cures of organic diseases, though pain was abated in many instances. The Archbishop of Nova Scotia endorsed the mission, as does also Dr. C. Paterson-Smyth, who reports the meetings. The Society of the Nazarene is an American organization corresponding to the Guild of Health in Canada and the Guild of St. Raphael and the Divine Healing Fellowship of the Anglican communion in England. It has several guilds and several hundred members in the Dominion.

Rev. Dr. Macartney Wilson has accepted a three-years appointment to the Greyfriars' Presbyterian Church, Port of Spain, Trinidad.

Rev. F. B. Meyer, of England, and Mr. S. D. Gordon, of Boston, are promised by Rev. F. S. Robinson as visitors to Canada in the coming year.

The "Flery Cross" crusade promoted by the Anglo-Catholic Church Congress is reported to have met with great success during the past year. The plan of continuous intercession throughout the whole year in the religious houses, and also in the parish churches at the time of the visit of the "Flery Cross" has been carried through with constantly growing interest. The committee announces its continuance in the Provinces of Canterbury and York, and the formation of circles in Canada and the United States, and possibly in South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

The Salvation Army gathered in large numbers in Albert Hall, London, last month to celebrate the Jubilee of General Bramwell Booth's officership. The retiring Lord Mayor of London opened recently the Army's 1,147th social institution.

Following up the notable Birmingham conference of last March, the "Companions of Copernicus" has been launched as a membership for recasting the literature which is constantly being produced. A large amount of research is being done, especially among the youngest adherents, in this attempt to apply Christian principles to politics, economics and citizenship.

St. Dunstan stands pledged to look after, for the rest of their lives, the two thousand soldiers, sailors and airmen who have been blinded as the direct result of their war service.

CARNIVAL BALL

The committee of management of the Civil Service grand Christmas fancy dress carnival ball, to be held in the Alexandra House ballroom on Boxing Night, Friday, December 26, wish to make it quite clear that though it is requested that all participants who can shall wear fancy dress, it is not compulsory that they shall do so. Without exception in the past five years, the large majority of the dancers have come in costume, and from present indications, this year is to be no exception. One large factor contributing to the happy state of affairs is undoubtedly the patronage extend-

ed annually to the Civil Service fancy dress dances by a large number of members of the old Victoria Operatic and Dramatic Society. In fact, it has become a noticeable fact that, since the old Dramatic Society ceased to function actively, the Civil Service annual fancy dress ball has seemed spontaneously, to have become the venue for a kind of annual reunion of its members, and Mr. A. M. D. Fairbairn, secretary of the Civil Service Association, himself a member of the society in the days when it was prominently before the public, reports that he has already received a large number of applications for tickets from his old comrades of the

footlights and wishes to take this opportunity of extending a hearty welcome to all those others who may desire to participate. To suit the convenience of a number of these members of the public generally, a block of tickets has been left with Mr. Herbert Kent and may be purchased from him at Kent's Edison Store, on Yates Street.

Freecott's Symphony Dance Orchestra will provide the music for the dancing, which will continue from 9 o'clock to 2 a.m., save for an intermission for supper, which is being catered for by the management of the Alexandra House.

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